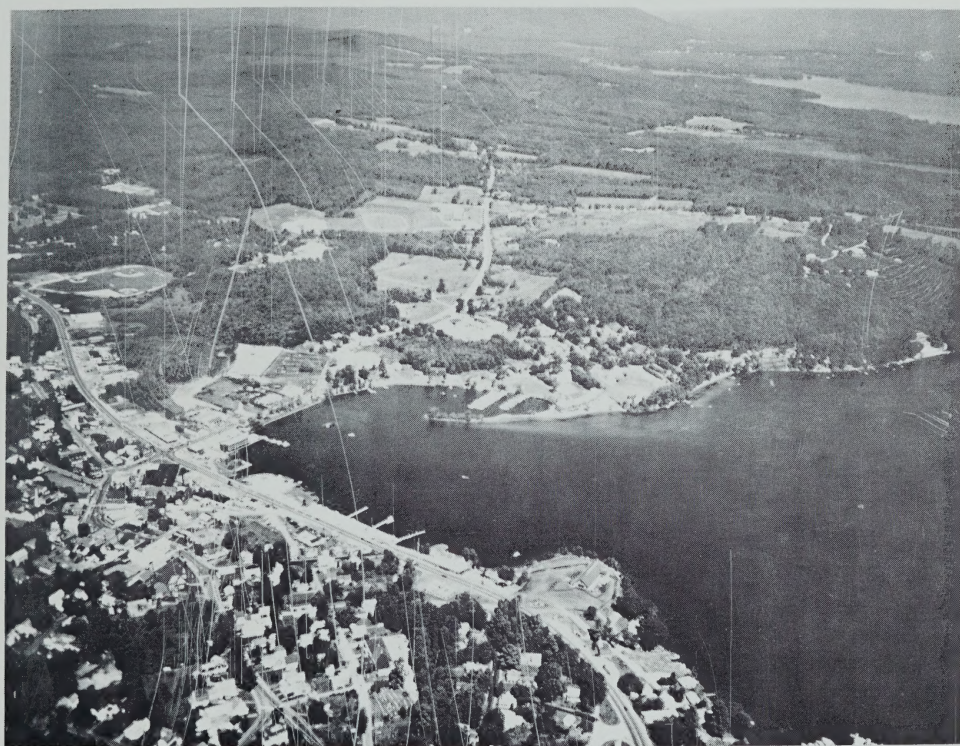


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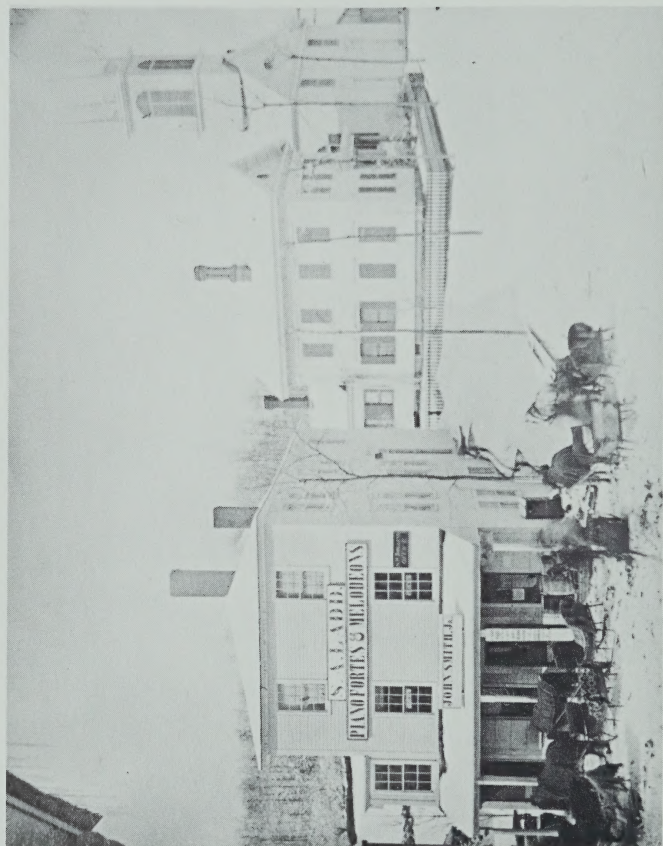
Annual Report

Meredith, New Hampshire



Aerial View of Meredith 1973

1973



The corner of Main and Highland streets in 1856 showing the Seneca Ladd Building with the Seneca Ladd home and the Congregational Church in the background.

Annual Report of the Officers
of the
TOWN OF MEREDITH



For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31

1973

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**In grateful Appreciation
for his many years of service as the
Chief of the Meredith Police Department
and his other services to the Community**

**This Annual Report is
Dedicated
To**



Norman R. Martin

Chief Police Department	26 years
Representative To Legislature	6 years
Selectman	6 years

Town Officers

Meredith, New Hampshire

SELECTMEN

Bradbury Sprague (1976)

Roy L. Atteberry (1975)

Bruce D. Heald (1974)

TOWN MANAGER

MODERATOR

TOWN CLERK

TREASURER

DEPUTY TREASURER

HEALTH OFFICER

TAX COLLECTOR

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

SEWER SUPERINTENDENT

Earle D. Hardy

Joseph D. Parkman

Charlotte H. Straw

Normand E. Valliere

Bruce U. Sanderson

Earle D. Hardy

Earle D. Hardy

Mary C. Devine

Harold G. Wyatt

O. Fred Rollins

REPRESENTATIVES TO GENERAL COURT

Marshall French

L. Keith Matheson

Robert M. Lawton

MUNICIPAL COURT

Justice: John H. Ramsey

Assoc. Justice: Andrew J. Marks (deceased) Clerk: M. Jane Youngjohn

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Norman R. Martin, Chief

Herbert R. Horne, Deputy Chief

Patrolman: Donald E. Belyea

Patrolman: Herbert E. Johnson, Jr.

Patrolman: Phillip E. Pineau

Patrolman: John D. Skidds

Patrolman: Alan J. Soucy

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Sherman B. Carter, Chief

1st Asst. Chief: Vernal C. Bucklin

2nd Asst. Chief: John W. Bryant, Jr.

WATER DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT

Robert B. Woodman

REFUSE DISPOSAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Josiah H. V. Fisher, Chairman

Henry J. Blaisdell

Harold G. Wyatt

PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS COMMISSION

Chairman: Richard W. Detscher (1974)

Robert L. Kroupa (1974)

Lawrence Swain (1975)

Stephen H. Nedeau (1975)

William J. Lamper (1976)

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Clyde C. Brown (1975)

Willard S. Grad (1976)

Henry H. Stark (1974)

CHECK LIST SUPERVISORS

Susan H. French (1974)

Lydia M. Torr (1976)

Dorothy Forsberg (1978)

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Chairman: John Sherman (1974)

Treas.: Arthur N. Allen (1974)

Sec.: Lois M. Treloar (1976)

Kent Bird (1975)

Aglaia Rouvalis (1976)

Elizabeth E. Potter (1975)

PLANNING BOARD

Chairman: Jason Blais (1974)

Helen W. Montana (1975)

Charles George (1973)

Clifford Ulm (1976)

Edwin D. Hanson (1975)

Bradbury Sprague

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Harold L. Pierson

H. Morey Eames

Charles Woodman

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Charles George (1974) Resigned

Jason Blais (1976)

Josiah H. V. Fisher (1974)

AUDITORS

State Tax Commission

LEGAL COUNSEL

John H. Ramsey

DIRECTOR of CIVIL DEFENSE

Donald E. Crumb

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Bradbury Sprague

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Chairman: Leo T. Kershaw — 9-9-73

Chairman: John Sherman — 9-9-74

Mary Robertson — 9-9-75

Charles L. Woodman — 9-9-76 Resigned

Allan Hale — 9-9-76

Page Sanderson — 9-9-77

Donald P. Shedd — 9-9-78

Alternates: Wilfred R. Canney — Normand E. Valliere

Charles Rouvalis

Clerk: Dorothy Forsberg

Report of Selectmen and Town Manager

The Board of Selectmen and Town Manager respectfully submit the annual Town Report for 1973. It includes information relating to activities of various Boards, Departments, Committees, and Associations which have provided service to the Town along with relative financial statements and accomplishments of general interest during the past year.

You will find records of actions taken at last year's Town Meeting and a list of Questions and Articles which will require due consideration and subsequent action for the coming year.

The 1974 Town Meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 5 in the Masonic Building on Main Street between 9 A. M. and 7 P. M. for the purpose of election of officers and acting on questions by ballot. After Balloting is completed, the meeting will be adjourned to the InterLakes High School Auditorium on the following evening at 7:30 P. M. for the purpose of transacting other town business.

We hope you will study this report thoroughly and bring it with you to the Adjourned Town Meeting. The report is intended to be useful throughout the year with its list of statistics, emergency phone numbers and names of people serving in various official capacities.

The Fire Department has acquired 1000 feet of 4-inch hose. Plans are underway for updating some expensive equipment, drawing from the reserve fund established by vote of the last Annual Town Meeting. It is hoped that this fund can be increased by another \$10,000 in 1974. As you may know, improvement of our Fire Department not only reduces the danger of fire, but, in doing so, may eventually save everyone money through reduced insurance rates.

Short sewer extensions were completed on Waukegan Street and Massachusetts Avenue. Considerable progress has been made in programming construction of the Pleasant Street Sewer Extension to Wagon Wheel Trail, and necessary action has been taken to obtain State and Federal assistance in financing the project. Some assistance is virtually assured and prospects are good for very substantial assistance from these sources. Sewer assessment rates have been adjusted to insure more equitable assumption of costs by benefiting property owners. Certain pumps in the sewage plant had to be replaced but, in so doing, due regard was given to the probably short remaining time the plant will be used. From our participation in the planning of the Winnepesaukee River Basin project it appears that project is being speeded up considerably. Present indications are that our sewage will be going to the Laconia Plant in 1978.

The Water Commission was abolished and its functions transferred to the Board of Selectmen by a Special Act of Legislature and subsequent vote of the Town. This has, we believe, resulted in better service to subscribers and reduced paperwork. Extensive repairs were made to the gate

house of the water reservoir, with consequent improvement of water quality.

As you may not know, the town is under order from the State to cease burning operations at our present garbage dump by July 1 of this year. The Refuse Disposal Committee, authorized by the last Town meeting, was established and is working closely with the Lakes Region Planning Commission. In brief, the findings are that Meredith should join with Center Harbor and operate a sanitary land fill. Investigations are continuing to find a suitable site in either of the two towns and to work out the details of how such a cooperative arrangement would be managed and financed. We are asking the voters to appropriate money to pay for Meredith's share of the costs of subsurface tests which will be required before a site is finally selected.

The Police Department has continued the summer cadet program, and taken advantage of higher government-sponsored educational courses to improve its law enforcement work.

During 1973 we made considerable progress in improving our streets and highways:

- A hazardous section of the Upper New Hampton Road, referred to as Welsh Hill, was reconstructed by our Highway Department.

- A troublesome drainage problem on Bay Shore Drive was alleviated by the installation of catch basins and large culvert pipes.

- A 48-inch culvert was laid under Main Street at Stevens Avenue.

- A hot-top resurfacing program was begun including Water Street and the southerly end of Main Street

- Lovejoy Sands Road, Neal Shore Road and a section of Pinacle Park Road were resurfaced with an asphalt mix designed to minimize maintenance of these roads for several years.

- A State Aid program was initiated to improve Meredith Neck Road with the State putting up two dollars for every dollar raised by the town. The \$15,000 raised by this formula in 1973 is being carried over to 1974 and we hope to augment it with an additional \$15,000 by action in the 1974 Town Meeting, thus allowing a \$30,000 program to be carried out during the coming year. Some preliminary survey work and extensive improvement of drainage ditches has already been done.

More work on our highways would have been accomplished had we not experienced considerable flood damage in June and July, which was necessarily repaired on an emergency basis. Both time and money had to be diverted from programmed work to make these repairs. We have recovered part of the money from the State and the remainder will be forthcoming shortly.

The Bechard property on Winnepesaukee Street was acquired as authorized in last year's Town Meeting and we expect to receive at least half of the purchased price from State or Federal sources. We hope to have the old house removed shortly. Negotiations are in progress to acquire the Lincoln property on Lake Waukegan for use as a park in accordance with

last year's vote of the Town. Indications are that the Town's share of the purchase price will be much less than one half.

The Board of Selectmen and Town Manager feel that necessary services are being provided and improvements demanded by our community are being made while keeping the tax rate within reasonable bounds.

We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the Planning Board, the Refuse Disposal Committee, the Parks and Playgrounds Commission, the Board of Adjustment, the Regional Planning Commission, the Water and Sewer Departments, the Highway Department, the Police Department, the Fire Department and Town Office Personnel in offering the best services possible to everyone associated in any way with the Town of Meredith.

We are also very much appreciative of the help and understanding we have experienced from the property owners and all of the citizens of our community during the past year.

BRADBURY E. SPRAGUE, Chairman

BRUCE D. HEALD

ROY L. ATTEBERRY

Board of Selectmen

EARLE D. HARDY

Town Manager

Record of Annual Town Meeting

March 6, 1973

The Annual Town Meeting held at the Masonic Hall, Main Street in said Town for the casting of Ballots was opened at 9:00 A.M. by Joseph D. Parkman, Moderator. Rev. Patrick Finleon gave the invocation. The Moderator read Articles 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Number of Names on Checklist	2280
Total number of Ballots cast	641

Selectman for 3 years	Brad Sprague	308
	Donald Crumb	224
	Brad Quimby	97
Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years	Willard S. Grad	589
Water Commissioner for 3 years	Gilbert W. MacIntyre	563
Library Trustee for 3 years	Aglaia Rouvalis	516
	Lois M. Treloar	383
Park Commissioner for 3 years	Richard Chouinard	102
	William J. Lamper	457

And the following Candidates were declared by the Moderator to be elected:

Brad Sprague, Selectman for 3 years; Willard S. Grad, Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years; Gilbert W. MacIntyre, Water Commissioner for 3 years; Aglaia Rouvalis and Lois M. Treloar, Library Trustee for 3 years; William J. Lamper, Park Commissioner for 3 years.

ARTICLE 2: No action since previously acted upon.

ARTICLE 3

Question 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Proposed corrections and changes relative to: Planned Unit Development processing procedure and elimination of density requirement, shorefront lot set-back and width, allowance for general country store in forestry and rural zone, Building Permit for sewage facilities, definition of mobilehome on lot, and mobilehome parks.

Yes 393

No 186

Question 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as

follows: Zone change: Placing all islands in an island Zone with specific requirements.

Yes 474

No 115

Question 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Zone change: Commercial to Forestry and Rural Zone along Route 104 beginning eight hundred feet from the westerly side of Oak Hill and Pease Roads to Hatch Corner Road.

Yes 448

No 137

Question 4. Shall the provisions of an act abolishing the Board of Water Commissioners for the Town of Meredith and transferring its functions to the Selectmen as passed by the 1973 Legislature be adopted?

Yes 418

No 180

The Meeting opened at 7:30 P.M., March 7, 1973 at the Robert Pottle Memorial Auditorium in the Inter-Lakes High School in Meredith and act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 5: By motion of Earle D. Hardy it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$663,086.03 for the Budget for 1973, the sum of \$638,586.83 to be raised by taxation and \$24,499.20 under Town Roads and Sidewalks on page 23 of the Town Report to be made available from the State Gasoline Subsidy.

James Waldron made a motion which was duly seconded to amend motion to authorize the withdrawal of \$40,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the Provision of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. Said amount to be applied against the sum of \$638,586.83 to lower the tax rate of the Town or put it towards some other part of the Budget.

It was voted to adopt the Amendment.

Yes 78

No 47

Voted to adopt Article as amended.

ARTICLE 6. By motion of Bruce D. Heald it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes for the current year, and issue notes therefore.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 7: By motion of Brad Sprague it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction tax-acquired property.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 8: By motion of Bruce D. Heald it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,460.48 for the Town Road Aid and construction, maintenance and reconstruction of rural post roads, and Class V highways, provided the State will set aside

the sum of \$9,737.85 for this purpose.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 9: By motion of Bruce Sanderson it was moved and seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to help defray the expense of the Information Booth. (By request of the Meredith Civic Association).

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 10: By motion of Dorothy Forsberg it was moved and seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for fireworks for July 4, 1973. (By request of the Meredith Civic Association).

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 11: By motion of Marjorie Woodman it was moved and seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for the benefit of the Lakes Region General Hospital. (By request of the Lakes Region General Hospital).

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 12: By motion of Jason Blais it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,067.36 for the benefit of the Lakes Region Association. (By request of the Lakes Region Association).

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 13: By motion of Bruce D. Heald it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for a Highway Capital Equipment Reserve Fund as authorized by RSA: 35:1-35:18.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 14: By motion of Sedley Bartlett it was moved and seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for a Fire Department Capital Equipment Reserve Fund as authorized by RSA: 35:1-35:18.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 15: By motion of Bruce D. Heald it was moved and seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help defray the expense of the New Hampshire Humane Society.

Affirmative vote

ARTICLE 16: By motion of Robert Kroupa it was moved and seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to acquire an additional parcel of property from Clyde and Mary Prince on the southerly side of Old Rte 104 opposite Waukewan Beach between Old Rte 104 and the Boston and Maine Railroad Right of Way to include a parcel of land fifty feet in length along Route 104 in an easterly direction from the land as voted to be acquired under Article 19 of the 1972 Annual

Town Meeting, said land to be used to extend and improve necessary facilities at Waukewan Beach.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 17: By motion of Kenneth Russell it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to establish a three-member Refuse Disposal Planning Committee with duties set forth in Section 1-5, Chapter 53-B, New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955, to study the advisability of establishing a regional disposal district. The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Selectmen for action by the Town Meeting.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 18: John Ramsey made a motion which was seconded that Article 18 be killed.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 19 John Ramsey made a motion which was seconded that Article 19 be killed.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 20: By motion of Earle D. Hardy it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 for the extension of the Common sewer from its present terminus on Waukewan Street at the intersection of Colby Street in an easterly direction on Waukewan Street for a distance of approximately one hundred and thirty feet, including a manhole and appurtenances, said sum to be raised by borrowing on the credit of the Town by issuance of serial notes in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act as amended.

Two-thirds vote in the Affirmative by the show of hands.

ARTICLE 21: By motion of Earle D. Hardy it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the extension of the common sewer from its present terminus on Massachusetts Avenue to the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Westview Road, a distance of approximately three hundred and thirty feet, including manholes and appurtenances, said sum to be raised by borrowing on the credit of the Town by issuance of serial notes in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act as amended.

Two-thirds vote in the Affirmative by the show of hands.

ARTICLE 22: By motion of Nathan Torr it was moved and seconded to move to Article 24.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 24: By motion of Bruce D. Heald it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 for an accelerated road maintenance program and authorize the withdrawal of \$50,000.00 for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 22: Earle D. Hardy made a motion that Article 22 be

amended to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000.00 to employ a full time assessor.

Affirmative vote to Amendment.

Affirmative vote to Motion.

ARTICLE 23: By motion of James Waldron it was moved and seconded that Article 23 be killed.

Article killed.

ARTICLE 25: By motion of Roy Atteberry it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$18,000.00 to acquire the theatre building property on Main Street and authorize the withdrawal of \$18,000.00 for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

Earle D. Hardy moved that Article 25 be amended to read: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000.00 to acquire the Theatre Building on Main Street.

Negative vote to Amendment.

Article killed.

ARTICLE 26: Article 26 killed.

ARTICLE 27: Bruce D. Heald made a motion to amend Article 27 to read: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,000.00 to purchase the Bechard Property.

Motion was made and seconded to adopt Article as amended.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 28: Bruce D. Heald made a motion to amend Article 28 to read: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 for the purchase of the Lincoln property shown on the property maps of Meredith, New Hampshire revised and reprinted 1972 as U-6-31 to be reduced by funds of approximately 50 percent from the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation's Land and Water Conservation Fund, the level of such funding to be determined subsequent to an appraisal of this property and the Town's share raised by borrowing on the credit of the Town by issuance of serial notes in accordance with the Finance Act as amended.

Two-thirds vote in the Affirmative by the show of hands.

ARTICLE 29: By motion of Bruce D. Heald it was moved and seconded to see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee to investigate the feasibility of acquiring the Humiston School property for the use of the Town of Meredith together with any necessary adjacent property or right of way, said committee to report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Selectmen not later than January 1, 1974.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 30: By motion of Brad Sprague it was moved and

seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the improvement of the Meredith Neck Road under the State Aid Reconstruction Program, the State contributing \$10,000.00 for this purpose.

Affirmative vote.

ARTICLE 31: James Waldron made a motion to have all Articles on at the Polls by secret ballots.

No action.

Affirmative vote to adjourn. 10:25 P.M.

Charlotte H. Straw
Town Clerk

A true copy, attest:
Charlotte H. Straw

The State of New Hampshire
MEREDITH TOWN WARRANT

(Special Town Meeting, as authorized by Superior Court)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Meredith qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Inter-Lakes High School Cafeteria in said Town on the 2nd day of October next, at 7:30 P.M., to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and receive Federal Disaster Assistance Funds through the State Disaster Coordinating Office and to expend the funds so received to repair the damage to town roads and-or bridges caused by the recent flooding in the latter part of June and July, 1973.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums as may be necessary to defray the costs of repairing town roads and-or bridges in anticipation of the Federal Assistance Disaster Funds to be received through the State Disaster Coordinating Office.

Given under our hands and seal, this 14th day of September in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Three.

BRADBURY E. SPRAGUE, Chrm.

BRUCE D. HEALD

ROY L. ATTEBERRY
Selectmen of Meredith

A true copy — attest:

Charlotte H. Straw
Town Clerk

September 14, 1973

We hereby certify that on this date, the fourteenth day of September, 1973, we caused to be placed an attested copy of the within warrant at the place of meeting specified and a like copy at the Town of Meredith

Municipal Building, public places in said Town, and the required notice to be placed in the Meredith News on September 20, 1973. We also caused to be filed a true copy at the Office of the Town Clerk of Meredith.

BRADBURY E. SPRAGUE, Chrm.

BRUCE D. HEALD

ROY L. ATTEBERRY

Selectmen of Meredith

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 14th day
of September, 1973

Earle D. Hardy
Notary Public

Received and recorded September 14, 1973, 3:30 p.m.

Charlotte H. Straw
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Meredith, New Hampshire

The Special Town Meeting held October 2, 1973 at Inter-Lakes High School Cafeteria in said Town was called to order by Joseph D. Parkman, Moderator.

The Polls opened at 7:30 P.M. to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and receive Federal Disaster Assistance Funds through the State Disaster Coordinating Office and to expend the funds so received to repair the damage to town roads and-or bridges caused by the recent flooding in the latter part of June and July, 1973.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums as may be necessary to defray the costs of repairing town roads and-or bridges in anticipation of the Federal Assistance Disaster Funds to be received through the State Disaster Coordinating Office.

By motion of Bruce D. Heald it was moved and seconded that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and receive Federal Disaster Assistance Funds through the State Disaster Coordinating Office and to expend the Funds so received to repair the damage to town roads and-or bridges caused by the recent flooding in the latter part of June and July, 1973. And that the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums as may be necessary to defray the costs of repairing town roads and-or bridges in anticipation of the Federal Assistance Funds to be received through the State Disaster Coordinating Office.

Unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Charlotte H. Straw
Town Clerk

A true copy, attest:
Charlotte H. Straw

MEREDITH TOWN WARRANT

State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of Meredith, qualified to vote in Town affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Masonic Hall, Main Street in said Town on the first Tuesday of March next, March 5, 1974 between 9:00 A. M. and 7:00 P. M. for the casting of ballots; and at 7:30 P. M., Wednesday, March 6, 1974 at the Robert Pottle Memorial Auditorium in the InterLakes High School in said Town, to act on the following articles:

1. To bring in your ballots for one Selectman for three years, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, and one Park Commissioner for three years.

2. To choose other necessary Town Officers.

3. To choose three delegates to the New Hampshire State Constitutional Convention.

4. To act on the following questions:

1) Shall we adopt the homeowners' exemption provisions of RSA Chapter 72 granting a \$5,000 exemption based on equalized assessed valuation on all owner-occupied units, and a \$10,000 exemption based on equalized assessed valuation on all owner-occupied units owned by persons over sixty-five years of age?

2) Shall the provisions for absentee ballot for the election of Town officers be adopted by this Town as provided in RSA Chapter 60:31-60:39?

3) Shall we adopt the Mobile Home Park Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board at its public hearing of February 1, 1974 which includes regulation of the following: roads, drainage, safety, water, sewage, electricity, stands or foundations, set-backs, space dimensions, permits, fire prevention, recreation area and parking?

5. To hear the report of the budget and act thereon.

6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes for the current year, and issue notes therefore.

7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend any federal funds that may be available during the ensuing year.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the disposition of municipal records in accordance with the provisions of RSA Chapter 33-A in its entirety.

9. To see if the Town will adopt the provisions of RSA 55:9-a and RSA 55:9-b authorizing Town Clerks to have all the powers and duties of City Clerks relative to Supervisors of Check Lists.

10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction tax-acquired property.

11. To see if the Town will vote to retain for public use a parcel of land on High Street acquired by Tax Collector's Deed and designated on the property map of the Town of Meredith dated April 1, 1973 as U-6-37.

12. To see if the Town will pass an ordinance prohibiting the use of sale of detergents containing phosphorous in the Town of Meredith according to the proposed ordinance regulating the use of detergents as published in the Meredith News, February 7, 1974. (By request of the Meredith Improvement Society)

13. To see if the Town will pass an ordinance relative to the leashing of dogs within the boundaries of the Town of Meredith according to the proposed dog-leash law published in the Meredith News, February 7, 1974. (By request of the Meredith Improvement Society)

14. To see if the Town will pass an ordinance prohibiting hunting in congested areas of the Town: Town proper, Pinnacle Park, Spindle Point, the Islands, Bonney Shores, Winona Forest. (By request of the Meredith Improvement Society)

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to help defray the expense of the Information Booth. (By request of the Meredith Civic Association)

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for fireworks for July 4, 1974. (By request of the Meredith Civic Association)

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,433.42 for the benefit of the Lakes Region Association. (By request of the Lakes Region Association)

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for the benefit of the Lakes Region General Hospital. (By request of the Lakes Region General Hospital)

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help defray the expense of the New Hampshire Humane Society. (By request of the New Hampshire Humane Society)

20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,340.00 to help support the Community Action Program; said sum to be made available from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds received pursuant to provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. (By request of the Director of the Belknap, Merrimac Community Action Program)

21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to help support the InterLakes Day Care Center; said sum to be made available from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds received pursuant to provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. (By request of the InterLakes Day Care Center)

22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to continue an accelerated road maintenance program; said sum to be made available from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds received pursuant to provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of acquiring additional office and meeting space for official and community business in the Humiston School and to renovate and furnish the premises in a manner which, in the opinion of the Selectmen, will best serve the interest of the Town; said sum to be made available from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds received pursuant to provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. (This article contingent upon acceptance in the 1974 InterLakes School District Budget of a similar sum for a similar purpose)

24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of acquiring additional office and meeting space for official and community business in private property and to renovate and furnish the premises in a manner which, in the opinion of the Selectmen, will best serve the interests of the Town; said sum to be made available from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds received pursuant to provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. (This article contingent upon Article 23, above, being disapproved)

25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,457.98 for the Town Road Aid and construction, maintenance and reconstruction of rural post roads, and Class V highways, provided the State will set aside the sum of \$9,719.84 for this purpose.

26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars for improvement of the Meredith Neck Road under the State Aid Reconstruction Program, the State contributing ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for this purpose.

27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for a Highway Capital Equipment Reserve Fund as authorized by RSA:35:1-35:18.

28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) for a Fire Department Capital Equipment Reserve Fund as authorized by RSA:35:1-35:18.

29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-four hundred and fifty (\$2,450.00) dollars for a bathhouse at Waukewan Beach for the summer recreation program. (By request of Parks and Playgrounds Commission)

30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-three hundred (\$7,300.00) dollars to resurface and seal the basketball court and the tennis courts for the summer recreation program. (By request of the Parks and Playgrounds Commission)

31. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-eight hundred (\$3,800.00) dollars to install a four-foot barrier around a municipal skating rink (200 ft x 85 ft). (By request of the Parks and Playgrounds Commission)

32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand (\$4,000.00) dollars for sanitary land fill explorations as recommended by the Refuse Disposal Planning Committee.

33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract for emergency ambulance service for a period of two years, rendered in the Town of Meredith in each of the two years, and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$14,000.00 for this purpose; \$7,000.00 to be raised in 1974, and \$7,000.00 to be raised in 1975.

34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars for use by a Steering Committee to be appointed by the Selectmen to formulate plans for town participation in the United States Bi-Centennial Celebration in 1976.

35. To see if the Town will vote to contract for and to accept grants of Federal or State Aid or both, in connection with the Pleasant Street sewer extension from its present terminus to Wagon Wheel Trail, including necessary pumping station and appurtenances and to incur indebtedness in anticipation of receipt of such aid by issuing its notes for an amount not to exceed one hundred ninety-five thousand (\$195,000.00) dollars payable not more than five years from their dates according to RSA 33, Municipal Finance Act as amended.

36. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars as the Town's share of the cost of extending the Pleasant Street sewer from its present terminus to Wagon Wheel Trail, including pumping station and appurtenances to be used in conjunction with any grants of Federal or State Aid or both, said sum to be raised by serial notes according to RSA 33, Municipal Finance Act as amended. (This article contingent upon passage of Article 35, above)

37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars for the extension of the common sewer from the intersection of Lake Street and Route 3 to a point on Stevens Avenue approximately one hundred and fifty (150) feet from the intersection of Oak Street and Stevens Avenue, a distance of approximately seven hundred and ten (710) feet, including manholes and appurtenances, said sum to be raised by borrowing on the credit of the Town by issuance of serial notes in accordance with the RSA 33, Municipal Finance Act as amended.

38. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Article 22 as voted at the Annual Town Meeting of March 9, 1971 to read:

“To defray the costs of certain sewer connections to properties abutting the public sewers,” deleting the words “on Pleasant Street, Mudgett Avenue, and Morrison Avenue.”

39. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

February 14, 1974

We hereby certify that on this date, the fourteenth day of February 1974, we caused to be placed an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting specified, and a like copy at the InterLakes High School and at the Municipal Building, public places in said Town. We also caused to be filed a true copy at the Office of the Town Clerk, Meredith.

BRADBURY E. SPRAGUE, Chairman
BRUCE D. HEALD
ROY L. ATTEBERRY
Selectmen of Meredith

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this fourteenth day of February 1974.

Mary C. Devine, Notary Public

Received & Recorded
2-14-74

Charlotte H. Straw
Town Clerk

Budget for 1974

TOWN OF MEREDITH

**Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for 1974
compared with
Actual Revenues, Appropriations & Expenditures for 1973**

REVENUES

<i>Source</i>	<i>Estimated 1973</i>	<i>Actual 1973</i>	<i>Estimated 1974</i>
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 38,802.00	\$ 38,802.33	\$ 38,800.00
Savings Bank Tax	5,289.00	5,289.50	5,200.00
Yield Tax	1,225.00	1,632.64	1,000.00
Motor Vehicle Registrations	56,316.00	65,651.33	65,600.00
Dog Licenses	1,228.00	1,295.50	1,200.00
Permits, etc.	500.00	528.00	500.00
Fines, Municipal Court	5,817.00	8,650.78	6,500.00
Rent of Town Property	125.00	295.00	125.00
Reimbursement Sewer Costs	4,486.00	4,486.00	4,486.00
Interest	13,403.00	13,528.68	13,000.00
Resident Taxes	19,610.00	13,059.55	15,000.00
National Bank Stock	407.00	180.95	200.00
Sewer Assessments	7,192.00	34,633.43	10,000.00
Business Profits Tax	39,500.00	39,575.96	39,500.00
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	\$193,900.00	\$227,609.65	\$201,111.00

EXPENDITURES

	1973 <i>Appro'tion</i>	1973 <i>Exp'ture</i>	1974 <i>Budget</i>
<i>General Government:</i>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Assessing Expenses	13,500.00	9,062.40	19,460.00
Town Office Expense	12,575.00	13,241.00	13,825.00
Town Manager's Salary	13,119.45	13,119.45	14,713.80
Town Manager's Expenses	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Town Clerk's Salary	5,800.00	5,800.00	6,263.84
Clerical Salaries	26,720.00	23,891.44	31,720.00
Election & Registration	2,200.00	1,746.92	2,200.00
Municipal Court Expense	4,100.00	4,058.70	4,200.00
Audit Expense	2,000.00	3,025.77	3,500.00
Social Security & Retirement	19,500.00	19,822.69	21,800.00
Town Buildings-Maintenance	10,565.00	11,486.32	12,253.40
Planning Board	1,000.00	737.58	1,000.00
Lakes Region Planning Comm.	3,083.00	3,083.00	3,083.00
Board of Adjustments	1,000.00	451.00	1,000.00
	<hr/> \$119,162.45	<hr/> \$113,608.87	<hr/> \$139,019.04
<i>Protection of Persons & Property:</i>			
Police Department	75,480.00	78,643.94	84,781.02
Fire Department	20,251.00	19,926.32	20,060.00
Forest Fires	600.00	610.38	600.00
Hydrant Rental	10,800.00	10,800.00	11,250.00
Civilian Defense	850.00	332.00	850.00
Care of Trees	2,000.00	2,537.33	2,000.00
Insurance	22,076.00	22,285.01	27,700.00
	<hr/> \$132,057.00	<hr/> \$135,234.98	<hr/> \$147,241.02
<i>Public Health</i>			
Health Department	6,800.00	6,800.00	7,500.00
Rubbish Removal	3,100.00	2,900.00	3,200.00
Sewer Maintenance	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Town Dump Maintenance	7,750.00	7,277.78	8,721.80
	<hr/> \$ 25,650.00	<hr/> \$ 24,977.78	<hr/> \$ 27,421.80
<i>Highway and Bridges:</i>			
Summer Maintenance	72,700.00	73,834.84	80,191.00
Winter Maintenance	80,720.00	77,987.18	88,911.00
General Highway Expense	26,330.00	40,334.52	27,830.00
Street Cleaning	1,000.00	1,514.49	1,000.00
Street Lighting	13,500.00	13,799.80	14,500.00
	<hr/> \$194,250.00	<hr/> \$207,470.83	<hr/> \$212,432.00

Town Construction:

Town Roads & Sidewalks	\$ 24,499.20	\$ 14,023.73	\$ 24,439.53
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Libraries

	\$ 21,540.00	\$ 21,540.00	\$ 23,715.00
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Public Welfare:

Town Welfare & Soldiers' Aid	7,200.00	4,229.38	7,200.00
Old Age Assistance	18,000.00	10,476.21	18,000.00

	\$ 25,200.00	\$ 14,705.59	\$ 25,200.00
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Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
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Recreation

Parks & Playgrounds	\$ 17,400.00	\$ 15,207.25	\$ 20,300.00
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Public Services Enterprises:

Cemeteries	\$ 8,250.00	\$ 8,250.00	\$ 9,500.00
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Unclassified

Professional & Legal Exp.	2,500.00	3,465.40	5,000.00
Longevity Pay	1,260.00	1,140.00	1,260.00
New Equipment	23,000.00	21,779.86	23,000.00

	\$ 26,760.00	\$26,385.26	\$ 29,260.00
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Indebtedness:

Principal	54,150.00	54,150.00	48,500.00
Interest on Notes & Bonds	12,167.38	11,795.38	11,023.03
Interest - Tax Antic. Notes	8,000.00	7,484.80	8,000.00

	\$ 74,317.38	\$ 73,430.18	\$ 67,523.03
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	\$670,086.03	\$655,834.47	\$727,051.42
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Payments-Other Governmental Subdivisions

County Taxes	\$ 138,955.40	\$138,955.40
InterLakes School District	1,189,458.67	769,562.84

	\$1,328,414.07	\$908,518.24
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Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed

Appropriations:	Amount
Town Officers Salaries:	
Town Manager \$13,119.45, Town Office \$3,000.00	
Assess. \$7,000.00	\$ 23,119.45
Town Office Administrative Expenses:	
Town Office \$12,575.00, Town Clerk \$5,800.00,	
Assess. \$6500.00, Audit \$2,000.00,	
Clerical \$26,720.00, Town Manager \$1,000.00	54,595.00
Election and Registration Expenses	2,200.00
Municipal Court Expenses	4,100.00
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	10,565.00
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	19,500.00
Town Roads and Sidewalks	24,499.20
Police Department	75,480.00
Humane Society	500.00
Fire Dept. \$20,251.00, Forest Fires \$600.00	20,851.00
Care of Trees(Incl. Blister Rust and Moth Extermination)	2,000.00
Insurance	22,076.00
Planning and Zoning \$1,000.00, Board of Adj. \$1,000.00	
Lakes Region Planning \$3,083.00	5,083.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	2,500.00
Civilian Defense	850.00
Health Dept. \$6,800.00, Hospitals \$6,000.00	
Ambulances \$5,000.00	17,800.00
New Equipment	23,000.00
Sewers (Maintenance \$8000.00)	8,000.00
Town Dump and Garbage Collection	
Rubbish Removal \$3,100.00, Dump Maint. \$7,750.00	10,850.00
Town Maintenance: Summer \$72,700.00	
Winter Maint. \$80,720.00	153,420.00
Street Lighting	13,500.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept. \$26,330.00	
Street Cleaning \$1,000.00	27,330.00

Town Road Aid \$1,460.00, State Aid Const.\$5,000.00	6,460.48
Libraries	21,540.00
Town Poor: Town Welfare & Soldiers Aid	7,200.00
Old Age Assistance	18,000.00
Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day, etc.)	1,000.00
Recreation (Parks, Playground, etc.)	
Equipment and Salaries	17,400.00
Municipal Water — Hydrant Rental	10,800.00
Cemeteries	8,250.00
Longevity	1,260.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	
Civic Association \$1,000.00, Fireworks \$500.00	
Lakes Region Plg. \$1,067.86	2,567.86
Payment on Debt	
(Principal \$54,150.00, Interest \$20,167.38)	74,317.38
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	20,000.00
Capital Outlay	
Purchase of Clyde Prince Property	1,000.00
Ext. of Sewer on Waukegan St.	2,000.00
Ext. of Sewer on Mass. Ave.	5,000.00
Revenue Sharing Fund	50,000.00
Purchase of Bechard Property	24,000.00
Purchase of Lincoln Property	25,000.00
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Total Town Appropriation	\$817,614.37

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 38,802.33
Savings Bank Tax	5,289.50
Meals and Rooms Tax	14,331.00
State Aid for Water Pollution Projects	4,486.00
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	1,225.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	13,402.61
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	87.00
Dog Licenses	1,227.50
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	56,315.66
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	125.00
Fines and Forfeits — Municipal Court	5,817.49
Sewer Notes	7,000.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	407.45
Resident Taxes Retained	19,610.00
Surplus (Cash \$36,000.00)	36,000.00
(Bal. Sheet \$69,692.49)	
Revenue Sharing Budget Vote Art. 5	40,000.00
Revenue Sharing Art. 24	50,000.00
Sewer Assmt-Conn.	7,192.00
Highway Subsidy	24,439.53
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Total Revenues and Credits	\$ 325,758.07
Net Town Appropriations	491,855.80
Net School Appropriations	773,306.66
County Tax Assessment	138,955.40
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Total of Town, School and County	1,404,117.86
Deduct:	
Reimb. a-c Property Exempted	
1970 Spec. Session	39,577.00
Add: War Service Tax Credits	16,950.00
Add: Overlay	21,016.34
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Property Taxes to be Raised	\$1,402,507.20

Town Tax Approved By Tax Commission \$2.40

Inventory of Taxable Property

Land — Improved and Unimproved	\$29,205,450.00
Buildings	26,654,550.00
Factory Buildings	232,800.00
Electric Plants	897,800.00
House Trailers & Mobile Homes	723,000.00
Boats & Launches	991,650.00
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Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed	\$58,705,250.00
Blind Exemptions (1)	\$ 9,500.00
Elderly Exemptions (67) -77 percent -	257,950.00
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Total Exemptions Allowed	267,450.00
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$58,437,800.00

1973 Tax Rate

Town	\$ 8.80
County	2.30
School	12.90
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Total \$24.00 per M

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1973

	Appropriations Forwarded from 1972	Appropriations 1973	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures 1973	Unexpended	Balances Overdrafts	Appropriations Forwarded to 1974
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Town Officers' Salaries		3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00			
Town Office Expenses		26,075.00	367.06	26,442.06	22,670.46	3,771.60		
Town Manager's Salary		13,119.45		13,119.45	13,119.45			
Town Manager's Expenses		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00			
Clerical Salaries		26,720.00	2,071.60	28,791.60	21,819.84	6,971.76		
Election & Registration		2,200.00		2,200.00	1,746.92	453.08		
Municipal Court Expenses		4,100.00		4,100.00	4,058.70	41.30		
Audit Expense		2,000.00		2,000.00	3,025.77		1,025.77	
Town Clerk's Salary		5,800.00		5,800.00	5,800.00			
FICA & N.H. Retirement		19,500.00		19,500.00	19,822.69		322.69	
Town Buildings' Maint.		10,565.00	499.80	11,064.80	11,486.32		421.52	
Planning Board		1,000.00	610.00	1,610.00	737.58	872.42		
Police Department		75,480.00	3,313.72	78,793.72	78,643.94	149.78		
Fire Department		20,251.00	97.58	20,348.58	19,926.32	422.26		
Forest Fires		600.00	197.00	797.00	610.38	186.62		
Hydrant Rental		10,800.00		10,800.00	10,800.00			500.00
Civilian Defense		850.00		850.00	332.00	518.00		

Care of Trees	2,000.00			2,000.00	2,537.33	537.33
Insurance	22,076.00			25,739.47	22,285.01	
Meredith Nursing Assn.	6,800.00		3,663.47	6,800.00	6,800.00	3,454.46
Rubbish Contract	3,100.00			3,100.00	2,900.00	200.00
Ambulance Service	5,000.00			5,000.00	5,000.00	
Sewer Maintenance	591.70			21,801.54	21,801.54	
Town Dump Maintenance	7,750.00		13,209.84	7,750.00	7,277.78	472.22
Summer Maintenance	72,700.00		5,566.78	78,266.78	73,834.84	4,431.94
Winter Maintenance	80,720.00		348.29	81,068.29	77,987.18	3,081.11
General Highway Expenses	26,330.00		4,783.02	31,113.02	40,334.52	
Street Cleaning	1,000.00			1,000.00	1,514.49	9,221.50
Street Lighting	13,500.00			13,500.00	13,799.80	514.49
Town Roads & Sidewalks	24,499.20	196.62		24,695.82	14,023.73	299.80
Libraries	21,540.00			21,540.00	21,540.00	10,672.09
Waukegan St. & Mass. Ave. Sewer Ext.			7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	
Improvements to Private Sewerages	4,275.00		950.00	5,225.00	3,244.15	1,980.85
Capital Reserve Fund (Fire & Highway)	20,000.00			20,000.00	20,000.00	
N. H. Humane Society	500.00			500.00	500.00	
Lakes Region Planning Commission	3,083.00			3,083.00	3,083.00	
Parks & Playgrounds - Salaries	10,900.00			10,900.00	10,676.75	223.25
Parks & Playgrounds	6,500.00	2,750.00	50.00	9,300.00	4,530.50	4,769.50
Town Welfare	7,200.00		45.00	7,245.00	4,229.38	3,015.62
Old Age Assistance	18,000.00		2,292.24	20,292.24	10,476.21	9,816.03
Memorial Day	1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	
						3,750.00

Accelerated Road Maint.	50,000.00	50,000.00	48,718.40	1,281.60	1,281.60
Cemeteries	8,250.00	8,250.00	8,250.00		
Damages & Legal Exp.	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,465.40	965.40	405.60
Town Hall Renovations		830.79	425.19		
Lakes Region Hospital	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00		
Lakes Region Assoc.	1,067.36	1,067.36	1,067.36		
Improvements to					
Meredith Neck	5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00
Longevity Pay	1,260.00	1,260.00	1,140.00	120.00	
Civic Association	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Town Road Aid	1,460.48	1,460.48	1,460.68	.20	
Pleasant St.Sewer					
Plan	136.70	136.70		136.70	136.70
Hillrise Lane, Oak St.					
Sewer Ext.	-310.02	-310.02	4,587.89	4,897.91	
Board of Adjustments	1,000.00	1,000.00	451.00	549.00	
Emergency Employment Act		6,942.14	7,493.07		
New Equipment	23,000.00	23,000.00	21,779.86	1,220.14	
Indebtedness - Principal	54,150.00	6,500.00	60,650.00		
Interest on Notes & Bonds	12,167.38	1,280.00	13,819.38	372.00	
Interest on Tax Antici-					
pation Loans	8,000.00	8,000.00	7,484.80	515.20	
Governor's Crime Comm.	5.96	1,615.00	1,605.44	15.52	15.52
Police Record System	21.63	21.63		21.63	21.63
Meredith Conservation Comm.	2,068.00	2,068.00		2,068.00	
Purchase of Clyde &					
Mary Prince Property	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,005.50	5.50	
Purchase of Bechard					
Property	24,000.00	1,010.00	25,600.00	590.00	

Purchase of Lincoln Property Flood Damage		25,000.00	9,605.00	25,000.00	600.00	24,400.00		24,400.00
				9,605.00	19,230.31		9,625.31	-9,625.31
	\$ 16,117.31	\$805,613.87	\$ 72,017.54	\$893,748.72	\$831,310.86	\$ 91,237.28	\$ 28,799.42	\$ 38,538.68
I-L School District County Tax Overlay	416,562.84	772,895.83		1,189,458.67	769,562.84	419,895.83		419,895.83
	138,955.40	138,955.40		138,955.40	138,955.40			
	19,801.74	19,801.74		19,801.74	499.53	19,302.21		19,302.21
	\$452,481.89	\$1,717,465.10	\$72,017.54	\$2,241,964.53	\$1,740,328.63	\$530,435.32	\$28,799.42	477,736.72

**STATEMENT OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS,
SHOWING ANNUAL MATURITIES OF
PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST
As of December 31, 1973**

	<i>Sewer Construction Bonds @ 1.6 %</i>	<i>Sewer Construction Bonds @ 2.2 %</i>
Amt. of Original Issue	\$350,000.00	\$128,000.00
Date of Original Issue	<i>May 1, 1952</i>	<i>March 1, 1956</i>
Principal Payable Dates	<i>May 1st</i>	<i>March 1st</i>
Interest Payable Dates	<i>May 1 & Nov. 1</i>	<i>March 1, & Sept. 1</i>
Payable at	<i>Nat'l Shawmut Bank Boston, Mass.</i>	<i>Nat'l Shawmut Bank Boston, Mass.</i>

Maturities—

<i>Fiscal Year Ending</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
December 31, 1974	\$10,000.00	\$560.00	\$5,000.00	\$275.00
December 31, 1975	10,000.00	400.00	5,000.00	165.00
December 31, 1976	10,000.00	240.00	5,000.00	55.00
December 31, 1977	10,000.00	80.00		
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	\$40,000.00	\$1,280.00	\$15,000.00	\$495.00

<i>Prescott Park Notes</i> @ 3.25% \$20,000.00	<i>New Garage Notes</i> @ 3.25 % \$55,000.00	<i>Water Notes</i> @ 4 % \$15,000.00
<i>December 4, 1964</i>	<i>December 6, 1965</i>	<i>October 26, 1966</i>
<i>December 1st</i>	<i>December 6th</i>	<i>December 1st</i>
<i>June 1 & Dec. 1</i>	<i>June 6 & Dec. 6</i>	<i>June 1 & Dec. 1</i>
<i>Meredith Trust Co.</i>	<i>Meredith Trust Co.</i>	<i>Meredith Trust Co.</i>

<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
\$2,000.00	\$65.00	\$5,500.00	\$357.20	\$1,500.00	\$180.00
		5,500.00	178.75	1,500.00	120.00
				1,500.00	60.00

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\$2,000.00	\$65.00	\$11,000.00	\$535.95	\$4,500.00	\$360.00

**STATEMENT OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS,
SHOWING ANNUAL MATURITIES OF
PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST
As of December 31, 1973**

	<i>Water Notes</i> @ 4 %	<i>Water Bonds</i> @ 4.4 %
Amt. of Original Issue	\$10,000.00	\$225,000.00
Date of Original Issue	<i>November 29, 1967</i>	<i>November 1, 1968</i>
Principal Payable Date	<i>December 15th</i>	<i>November 1st</i>
Interest Payable Dates	<i>June 15 & Dec. 15</i>	<i>May 1 & Nov. 1</i>
Payable At	<i>Meredith Trust Co.</i>	<i>State St. Bank & Trust Co. - Boston, Mass.</i>

Maturities—

<i>Fiscal Year Ending:</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
December 31, 1974	\$1,000.00	\$160.00	10,000.00	\$6,600.00
December 31, 1975	1,000.00	120.00	10,000.00	6,160.00
December 31, 1976	1,000.00	80.00	10,000.00	5,720.00
December 31, 1977	1,000.00	40.00	10,000.00	5,280.00
December 31, 1978			10,000.00	4,840.00
December 31, 1979			10,000.00	4,400.00
December 31, 1980			10,000.00	3,960.00
December 31, 1981			10,000.00	3,520.00
December 31, 1982			10,000.00	3,080.00
December 31, 1983			10,000.00	2,640.00
December 31, 1984			10,000.00	2,200.00
December 31, 1985			10,000.00	1,760.00
December 31, 1986			10,000.00	1,320.00
December 31, 1987			10,000.00	880.00
December 31, 1988			10,000.00	440.00
	\$4,000.00	\$400.00	\$150,000.00	\$52,800.00

<i>Sewer Notes</i> <i>@ 4 %</i> <i>\$80,000.00</i>	<i>Water Notes</i> <i>@ 4 %</i> <i>\$40,000.00</i>	<i>Sewer Construction</i> <i>Notes @ 4 1/4 %</i> <i>\$15,000.00</i>
<i>December 16, 1971</i>	<i>June 23, 1972</i>	<i>May 18, 1973</i>
<i>December 15th</i>	<i>June 23rd</i>	<i>June 5, 1973</i>
<i>June 15 & Dec. 15</i>	<i>June 23 & Dec. 23</i>	<i>June 15 & Dec. 15</i>
<i>Meredith Trust Co.</i>	<i>Meredith Trust Co.</i>	<i>Meredith Trust Co.</i>

<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
\$ 8,000.00	\$ 2,560.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$1,360.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 605.53
8,000.00	2,240.00	4,000.00	1,200.00	1,500.00	541.79
8,000.00	1,920.00	4,000.00	1,040.00	1,500.00	478.05
8,000.00	1,600.00	4,000.00	880.00	1,500.00	414.31
8,000.00	1,280.00	4,000.00	720.00	1,500.00	350.57
8,000.00	960.00	4,000.00	560.00	1,500.00	286.83
8,000.00	640.00	4,000.00	400.00	1,500.00	223.09
8,000.00	320.00	4,000.00	240.00	1,500.00	159.35
		4,000.00	80.00	1,500.00	95.61
				1,500.00	31.87

<u>\$64,000.00</u>	<u>\$11,520.00</u>	<u>\$36,000.00</u>	<u>\$6,480.00</u>	<u>\$150,000.00</u>	<u>\$3,187.00</u>
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**STATEMENT OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS,
SHOWING ANNUAL MATURITIES OF
PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST
As of December 31, 1973**

	— Total —	
<i>Fiscal Year Ending</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
December 31, 1974	\$ 48,500.00	\$12,723.03
December 31, 1975	46,500.00	11,125.54
December 31, 1976	41,000.00	9,593.05
December 31, 1977	34,500.00	8,294.31
December 31, 1978	23,500.00	7,190.57
December 31, 1979	23,500.00	6,206.83
December 31, 1980	23,500.00	5,223.09
December 31, 1981	23,500.00	4,239.35
December 31, 1982	15,500.00	3,255.61
December 31, 1983	11,500.00	2,671.87
December 31, 1984	10,000.00	2,200.00
December 31, 1985	10,000.00	1,760.00
December 31, 1986	10,000.00	1,320.00
December 31, 1987	10,000.00	880.00
December 31, 1988	10,000.00	440.00
	\$341,500.00	\$77,123.25

Report of Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES LEVY OF 1973

— DR. —

Taxes Committed To Collector:

Property Taxes	\$1,357,070.20
Resident Taxes	19,560.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	180.95
Yield Taxes	1,469.67
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Total Warrants	\$1,378,280.82

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 10,764.00
Resident Taxes	260.00
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	\$ 11,024.00

Overpayments During Year:

a-c Property Taxes	\$ 367.98
a-c Yield Taxes	556.74
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	\$ 924.72

Interest Collected on

<i>Delinquent Property Taxes</i>	211.93
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Penalties Collected on

<i>Resident Taxes</i>	25.00
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TOTAL DEBITS

\$1,390,466.47

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Remittances To Treasurer

Advance Property Taxes	\$ 336.77
Property Taxes	1,123,651.73
Resident Taxes	13,180.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	180.95
Yield Taxes	1,630.98
Interest Collected	211.93
Penalties on Resident Taxes	25.00
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	\$1,139,217.36

Abatements Allowed

During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 3,909.15	
Resident Taxes	890.00	
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	\$	4,799.15

Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1973

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 240,304.53	
Resident Taxes	5,750.00	
Yield Taxes	395.43	
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	\$	246,449.96

Total Credits	\$1,390,466.47
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SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1972

— DR. —

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1973:

Property Taxes	\$213,311.39	
Resident Taxes	5,480.00	
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	\$218,811.39	

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$2,779.86	
Deferred Land Use Property	117.12	
Resident Tax	430.00	
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	\$	3,326.98

Overpayments:

a-c Property Taxes	\$ 200.62	
a-c Resident Taxes	10.00	
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	\$	210.62

Interest Collected on Delinquent

Property Taxes	\$ 7,852.25
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<i>Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes</i>	\$ 434.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$230,635.24

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*Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year
Ended Dec. 31, 1973:*

Property Taxes	\$211,856.36
Resident Taxes	4,480.00
Interest Collected During Year	7,852.25
Penalties on Resident Taxes	434.00
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	\$224,622.61

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 2,573.72
Resident Taxes	790.00
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	\$ 3,363.72

*Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1973:
(As Per Collector's List)*

Property Taxes	\$ 1,998.91
Resident Taxes	650.00
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	\$ 2,648.91
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	\$230,635.24

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1973

— DR. —

— Tax Sales on Acct. of Levies of: —

	1972	1971	1970	<i>Previous Years</i>
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes January 1, 1973	\$42,292.54	\$14,203.62	\$11,579.59	\$2,526.32

(b) Taxes Sold to Town During

Current Fiscal Year	.00	.00	.00	.00
Interest Collected After Sale	581.19	627.91	1,910.75	1,085.52
Redemption Costs	None	None	None	None

Total Debits	\$42,873.73	\$14,813.53	\$13,490.34	\$3,611.84
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Remittances to Treasurer

During Year:

Redemptions	\$20,402.02	\$ 6,930.00	\$ 9,577.05	\$2,166.43
Interest & Cost after Sale	581.19	627.91	1,910.75	1,085.52
Abatements During Year	91.15	90.80	561.30	34.76

Deeded to Town During Year	858.06	874.96	1,143.03	124.79
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Unredeemed Taxes

December 31, 1973	20,941.31	6,307.86	298.21	200.34
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Total Credits	42,873.73	14,831.53	13,490.34	3,611.84
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UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES

December 31, 1973

Levies of

<u>1972</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>Prior Years</u>
\$20,941.31	\$6,307.86	\$298.21	\$200.34

EARLE D. HARDY

Tax Collector

Division of Municipal Accounting

State Tax Commission

Concord, New Hampshire

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

August 10, 1973

**Board of Selectmen
Meredith
New Hampshire 03253**

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Meredith for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1972, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town.

One of the enclosed audit reports must be given to the Town Clerk for retention as part of the permanent records.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Sewer Fund, Special Sewer Assessment Accounts, Water Department, Municipal Court, Library and Trustees of Trust Funds.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

General Fund:

Comparative Balance Sheets - Dec. 31, 1971 and Dec. 31, 1972:

(Exhibit A-1)

Comparative Balance Sheets showing the financial condition of the General Fund as of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972 are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the Current Surplus of the Town increased by \$47,112.72, from \$22,579.77 to \$69,692.49, during the year ended December 31, 1972.

Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition: (Exhibit A-2)

An analysis of the change in current financial condition of the Town is

made in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

Increases in Current Surplus

Net Budget Surplus	\$48,313.09
Tax Collector's Excess Credits	186.67

\$48,499.76

Decrease in Current Surplus:

Tax Liens Transferred to Tax Deeds	1,387.04
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Net Increase in Current Surplus

\$47,112.72

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures, Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibit A-3 and A-4)

Comparative statements of General Fund appropriations and expenditures - estimated and actual revenues - for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1972 are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the Budget Summary (Exhibit A-4), a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$36,464.72, plus a revenue surplus of \$11,848.37 resulted in a net budget surplus of \$48,313.09.

Non-Revenue (Capital Projects) Funds:

Comparative Balance Sheets - As of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972: (Exhibit A-5)

Comparative Balance Sheets showing the financial condition of the Capital Projects Fund - as of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972 are presented in Exhibit A-5. Authorized but unissued long term notes at December 31, 1972 totaled \$185,000.00.

Comparative Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Fund Balances: (Exhibit A-6)

A statement of non-revenue (Capital Projects) funds appropriations, expenditures and fund balances, showing a summary of the activity in each Capital Project appropriation, is included in Exhibit A-6. As indicated therein, uncompleted capital projects as of December 31, 1972 amounted to \$177,000.00.

Water Department:

Comparative Balance Sheets - December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972: (Exhibit A-7)

Comparative Balance Sheets showing the financial condition of the Water Department as of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972 are presented in Exhibit A-7. As indicated therein, the Net Debt of the Water Department increased by \$17,271.70 from \$171,550.31 to \$188,822.01, during the year ended December 31, 1972. It should be noted, however, that property and plant records have not been maintained for a number of years. Consequently, the records fail to show the precise financial condition of the Water Department at December 31, 1972.

Long Term Indebtedness:

Comparative Balance Sheets - December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972: (Exhibit A-8)

Comparative Balance Sheets of the outstanding long term debt of the Town as of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972 are presented in Exhibit A-5. As indicated therein, the long term debt of the Town decreased by \$22,650.00, from \$409,800.00 to \$387,150.00. Authorized long term notes totaling \$40,000.00 were issued and matured notes and bonds in the amount of \$62,650.00 were paid during the fiscal year. (Authorized but unissued notes amounted to \$177,000.00 at December 31, 1972.)

Statement of Annual Debt Service Requirements: (Exhibit A-9)

A statement of annual debt service requirements (principal and interest) as of December 31, 1972 is presented in Exhibit A-6.

TREASURER

General Fund:

Summary Statement of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit B-1)

A summary statement of general fund receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1972, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B-1. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1972, is indicated in Exhibit B-2.

Sewer Fund: (Exhibit B-4)

A statement of the activity in the Sewer Fund account during the fiscal year is presented in Exhibit B-4.

Pleasant Street Sewer Extension Fund: (Exhibit B-5)

A statement of the activity in the Pleasant Street Sewer Extension Fund during the fiscal year is presented in Exhibit B-5.

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

Verification of uncollected and unredeemed taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Tax Collector's records.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Uncollected Taxes:

It is noted that at December 31, 1972 there were uncollected taxes on account of the tax levies of 1971 and prior years as follows:

Levy of 1971	\$1,663.20
Levy of 1970	1,954.30
Levy of 1968	2,242.74
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	\$5,860.24

It is recommended that the Tax Collector and Board of Selectmen examine these uncollected lists and that such taxes included thereon that are deemed to be uncollectible be abated by the Board of Selectmen.

The inclusion of uncollectible taxes in the annual Balance Sheets tends to inflate the current surplus and thus distorts the financial condition of the Town.

Unredeemed Taxes:

Unredeemed taxes totaling \$2,526.32 on account of the levies of 1969 and prior years were due the Town at December 31, 1972, according to the Tax Collector's tax sale records, as indicated below:

Levy of 1969	\$1,779.19
Levy of 1968	736.39
Levy of 1967	10.74
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	\$2,526.32

Inasmuch as the two-year redemption period provided by law has expired on these unredeemed taxes, the Tax Collector should give tax deeds to the Town for all the properties on which defaulted tax liens are held by the Town.

Conclusion:

The provisions of Chapter 71, Section 27-A, require that the auditors' summary of findings and recommendation (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the Town. Publication of the Exhibits contained in this audit report is optional at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen. This letter, however, must be published in its entirety.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Meredith for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,

Frederick E. Laplante
Director

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION

Division of Municipal Accounting

State Tax Commission

Concord, New Hampshire

August 10, 1973

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Certificate of Audit

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Meredith for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1972.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statement of sources of revenues and expenditures present fairly the financial position of the Town of Meredith at December 31, 1972, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick E. Laplante
Director

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION

Town of Meredith

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TOWN OF MEREDITH
General Fund
Comparative Balance Sheets
As of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972

<i>ASSETS</i>	<i>December 31, 1971</i>	<i>December 31, 1972</i>
<i>Cash:</i>		
General Fund	\$257,176.76	\$273,629.86
Payroll Fund	2,000.00	2,000.00
Sewer Fund (Contra)	6,914.36	9,151.88
Pleasant Street Sewer		
Extension Fund (Contra)	1,893.52	
With Fiscal Agents	1,567.50	220.00
Petty Cash Funds	150.00	150.00
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	\$269,702.14	\$285,151.74
<i>Capital Reserve Funds (Contra)</i>	15,159.24	15,679.94
<i>Accounts Due To Town:</i>		
<i>From State of New Hampshire</i>		
Bounties	\$.50	\$.50
Road Toll Refunds		1,253.07
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	.50	1,253.57
<i>Water Department</i>		135.42
<i>Sewer Department</i>		50.00
<i>Pleasant Street Sewer</i>		
Extension Fund	1,893.52	
<i>Prepaid Expenditures:</i>		
Exhibit A-3	691.53	
<i>Sewer Assessments</i>		
Receivable (Contra)	29,966.53	25,206.95
<i>Uncollected Sewer Rents</i>		
(Contra)	7,720.45	3,454.18
<i>Sewer Connection Assess-</i>		
<i>ments Receivable (Contra)</i>	3,193.37	2,233.54
<i>Due from Capital Projects Fund</i>		8,000.00
 <i>Unredeemed Taxes</i>		
(Exhibit C-2)	40,615.40	28,309.53
<i>Uncollected Taxes</i>		
(Exhibit C-1)	214,918.91	224,958.63

<i>Uncollected State</i>		
<i>Head Taxes:</i>		
<i>Prior Years</i>	260.00	
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Total Assets	\$584,121.59	\$594,433.50
 <i>LIABILITIES &</i>		
<i>CURRENT SURPLUS</i>	<i>December 31, 1971</i>	<i>December 31, 1972</i>
<i>Appropriations Forwarded:</i>		
<i>(Exhibit A-3)</i>	\$ 17,793.26	\$ 14,957.93
<i>Due To Capital Projects Fund</i>	62,853.44	
<i>Sewer Fund (Contra)</i>	14,634.81	12,606.06
<i>Matured Interest Payable</i>	1,567.50	220.00
<i>Overpayments To Be Refunded</i>	95.70	122.46
<i>Revenue Sharing Fund</i>		26,651.00
<i>Prepaid Sewer Assessments</i>		5,024.80
<i>Due State of New Hampshire:</i>		
<i>Resident Taxes:</i>		
Uncollected	\$ 2,094.89	\$ 2,489.85
Collected-Not Remitted	2,219.71	2,399.86
<i>2 Percent Bond & Debt</i>		
<i>Retirement Taxes:</i>		
Uncollected	39.00	39.00
Collected-Not Remitted	117.31	210.01
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	4,470.91	5,138.72
<i>Taxes Collected in Advance</i>	611.07	336.77
<i>Yield Tax Deposits</i>	105.60	
<i>Pleasant Street Sewer</i>		
<i>Extension Fund (Contra)</i>	1,893.52	
<i>Reserve For Uncollected</i>		
<i>Sewer Assessments (Contra)</i>	29,966.53	25,206.95
<i>Reserve For Uncollected Sewer</i>		
<i>Connection Assessments</i>		
<i>(Contra)</i>	3,193.37	2,233.54
<i>School District Tax Payable</i>	409,196.87	416,562.84
<i>Capital Reserve Funds (Contra)</i>	15,159.24	15,679.94
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Total Liabilities	\$561,541.82	\$524,741.01
Current Surplus	22,579.77	69,692.49
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Total Liabilities and		
Current Surplus	\$584,121.59	\$594,433.50

EXHIBIT A-2
TOWN OF MEREDITH
General Fund
Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Current Surplus - December 31, 1972	\$69,692.49
Current Surplus - December 31, 1971	<u>22,579.77</u>
Increase in Current Surplus	\$47,112.72

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE

Increases in Current Surplus:

Net Budget Surplus	\$48,313.09
Tax Collector's Excess Credits	<u>186.67</u>
	\$48,499.76

Decrease in Current Surplus:

Tax Liens Transferred To Tax Deeds	<u>1,387.04</u>
Net Increase	\$47,112.72

Exhibit A-3

TOWN OF MEREDITH

General Fund

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

	(Assets & Appro- priations Forwarded From 1971	Appro- priations 1972	Receipts & Reim- bursements	Total Amount Available	Expendi- tures 1972	Unexpended	Balances Overdrafts	(Assets) & Appro- priations Forwarded To 1973
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<i>General Government:</i>								
Town Officers' Salaries		15,494.75		15,494.75	15,494.75			
Town Office Administrative Expenses		48,675.00	1,197.84	49,872.84	46,146.06	3,726.78		
Election and Registration Expenses		1,250.00	27.00	1,277.00	1,950.26		673.26	
Municipal Court Expenses		3,100.00		3,100.00	3,024.00	76.00		
Town Hall and Bldgs. Maintenance		8,590.00		8,590.00	10,904.46		2,314.46	
<i>Protection of Persons & Property:</i>								(
Police Department	165.60	69,550.00	2,349.39	72,064.99	70,267.32	1,333.42		397.38)
Fire Department, Including Forest Fires		15,925.00	597.49	16,522.49	15,888.85	633.64		861.63
Blister Rust & Care of Trees		1,100.00		1,100.00	150.00		120.00	1,070.00
Planning and Zoning		5,282.00		5,282.00	4,559.07	722.93		
Insurance	(534.03)	21,216.00	2,429.93	23,111.90	19,598.66	3,513.24		
Civil Defense		850.00		850.00	309.83	540.17		

Advertising and Regional Associations (Article 15)		1,067.36		1,067.36		
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	(20.00)	18,500.00	20.00	18,500.00	17,705.22	794.78
Information Booth (Article 12)		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Longevity Pay		1,080.00		1,080.00	1,080.00	
Humane Society (Article 21)		500.00		500.00	500.00	
Emergency Employment Act Grant	376.00					
Fireworks		500.00		10,405.05	9,814.22	590.83
Governor's Commission on Crime & Delinquency Grant				500.00	500.00	
Debt Service:						
Interest on Debt:						
Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes		9,000.00		9,000.00	7,024.93	1,975.07
Paid on Long Term Notes		4,917.25	800.00	5,717.25	5,717.24	.01
Paid on Bonded Debt	137.50	9,610.00		9,472.50	9,472.50	
Principal of Debt:						
Payments on Long Term Notes		22,650.00		22,650.00	22,650.00	
Payments on Bonded Debt		40,000.00		40,000.00	40,000.00	
Capital Outlay:						
Parks and Playgrounds:						
Improvements To Field House			1,307.57	1,307.57	1,569.99	262.42
Retaining Wall						
& Steps (Article 20)		2,750.00		2,750.00		2,750.00
New Construction - Roads		24,558.86		24,558.86	24,362.24	196.62
Sewer Construction - Oak Street and Hillrise Lane					445.31	445.31

EXHIBIT A-4
TOWN OF MEREDITH
General Fund

Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues
and Budget Summary
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

SOURCE	Revenues		Excess	Deficit
	Estimated	Actual		
Taxes:				
<i>Current Year:</i>				
Property Taxes	\$1,338,074.86	\$1,324,803.98	\$	\$13,270.88
Resident Taxes Retained	10,301.50	11,133.65	832.15	
National Bank Stock Taxes	329.05	407.45	78.40	
Yield Taxes	842.00	1,050.02	208.02	
<i>Prior Years:</i>				
Property Taxes		897.60	897.60	
<i>Interest on Delinquent Taxes</i>	8,172.06	13,402.61	5,230.55	
<i>State of New Hampshire:</i>				
Interest and Dividends Tax	33,820.18	33,820.18		
Savings Bank Tax	4,136.13	4,136.13		
Meals and Rooms Tax	14,331.00	14,382.93	51.93	
Business Profits Tax	37,692.00	37,691.40		.60
State Water Pollution Aid	4,486.00	4,486.00		
Payment in Lieu of Taxes - Water Resources Board		76.80	76.80	
Highway Subsidy Program	24,558.86	24,583.23	24.37	

<i>Local Sources, Except Taxes:</i>			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	56,199.48	9,347.09	822.48
Fines and Forfeits - Municipal Court	5,817.49		
Dog Licenses	1,227.50	106.25	
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	87.00		53.00
Ambulance Service Fees	870.00	25.00	
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	281.00		219.00
Sewer Assessments and Connections	8,647.05		3,666.55
Water Department - Principal of Debt	3,500.00	3,500.00	
Water Department - Interest on Debt	570.00	570.00	
Town Clerk's Fees	901.50	901.50	
Telephone Commission	126.24	126.24	
Bicycle Licenses	67.60	67.60	
Sale of Town Property	8.00	8.00	
Sale of Bicentennial Items	37.00	37.00	
Interest on Investments	1,503.86	1,503.86	
Parking Fines	62.00	62.00	
Comfort Station Receipts	503.00	503.00	
Sub Division Fees	490.00	490.00	
Sale of Photocopies	450.75	450.75	
<i>Reimbursement - Prior Year Expenditures:</i>			
a-c Town Poor	3,468.11	3,468.11	
a-c General Expenses of Highway Dept.	131.66	131.66	
Old Checks Cancelled	508.88	508.88	
Refund from Public Library - Unexpended Balance of Special Appropriations	674.12	674.12	
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	\$1,557,004.22	\$29,880.88	\$18,032.51
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BUDGET SUMMARY

Unexpended Balances of Appropriations

\$48,375.81

Overdrafts of Appropriations

11,911.09

Net Unexpended Balance of Appropriations

\$36,464.72

Actual Revenues

\$1,557,004.22

Estimated Revenues

1,545,155.85

Revenue Surplus

11,848.37

Net Budget Surplus

\$48,313.09

Exhibit A-5
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Non-Revenue (Capital Projects) Fund
Comparative Balance Sheets
As of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972

ASSETS	<i>December 31, 1971</i>	<i>December 31, 1972</i>
Due From General Fund	\$ 62,853.44	\$
<i>Long Term Notes</i>		
<i>Authorized-Unissued:</i>		
Sewer Connections (Article 22-1971)	20,000.00	20,000.00
Pleasant Street Sewer Extension (Article 23-1972)		157,000.00
Oak Street Sewer Extension (Article 24-1972)		8,000.00
	<hr/> 20,000.00	<hr/> 185,000.00
Total Assets	\$82,853.44	\$185,000.00
 LIABILITIES		
<i>Unexpended Balances</i>		
<i>of Appropriations:</i>		
Sewer Connections (Article 22, 1971)	\$20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Pleasant Street Sewer Extension (Article 23-1972)		157,000.00
Oak Street and Hillrise Lane Sewer Extensions (Article 18 & 19, 1971)	62,853.44	
	<hr/> \$82,853.44	<hr/> \$177,000.00
Due to General Fund		\$ 8,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$82,853.44	\$185,000.00

EXHIBIT A-6
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Non-Revenue (Capital Projects) Fund
Comparative Statement of Appropriations,
Expenditures, and Fund Balances
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

	<i>Total All Funds</i>	<i>Oak St. Hillrise Lane Sewer Ext.</i>	<i>Sewer Conn's</i>	<i>Pleasant Street Sewer Conn.</i>
<i>Unexpended Balances of Appropriations (Fund Balances) January 1, 1972</i>	\$ 82,853.44	\$62,853.44	\$20,000.00	\$
<i>Appropriations During Fiscal Year</i>				
Pleasant Street Sewer Extension (Article 23-1972)	157,000.00			157,000.00
Oak Street Sewer Extension (Article 24-1972)	8,000.00	8,000.00		
<i>Receipts During Fiscal Year</i>				
Transferred from General Fund	445.31	445.31		
<i>Total Amount Available</i>	\$248,298.75	\$71,298.75	\$20,000.00	\$157,000.00
<i>Expenditures During Fiscal Year</i>	\$ 71,298.75	\$71,298.75		
<i>Unexpended Balances of Appropriations - December 31, 1972</i>	177,000.00		\$20,000.00	\$157,000.00
	<u>\$248,298.75</u>	<u>\$71,298.75</u>	<u>\$20,000.00</u>	<u>\$157,000.00</u>

EXHIBIT A-7
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Water Department
Comparative Balance Sheets
As of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972

ASSETS	<i>December 31, 1971</i>	<i>December 31, 1972</i>
<i>Cash:</i>		
General Fund	\$41,401.23	\$26,153.37
Petty Cash	100.00	100.00
Customers' Deposits	455.73	463.95
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	\$ 41,956.96	\$ 26,717.32
<i>Water Rents Receivable</i>	11,955.61	7,699.10
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Total Assets	\$ 53,912.57	\$ 34,416.42
Net Debt	171,550.31	188,822.01
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Total Assets & Net Debt	\$225,462.88	\$223,238.43
LIABILITIES		
<i>Unexpended Balance of Non-</i>		
<i>Revenue Appropriations</i>	\$ 30,507.15	\$ 6,639.06
<i>Customers' Deposits</i>	455.73	463.95
<i>Due To General Fund</i>		135.42
<i>Long Term Notes Payable</i>	14,500.00	51,000.00
<i>Bonds Payable</i>	180,000.00	165,000.00
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Total Liabilities	\$225,462.88	\$223,238.43

Exhibit A-8
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Long Term Indebtedness
Comparative Balance Sheets
As of December 31, 1971 and December 31, 1972

ASSETS	<i>December 31, 1971</i>	<i>December 31, 1972</i>
<i>Amount to Be Provided For The Retirement of Long Term Debt.</i>		
General Fund	\$395,300.00	\$336,150.00
Water Department	14,500.00	51,000.00
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Total Assets	\$409,800.00	\$387,150.00
 LIABILITIES		
<i>Long Term Notes:</i>		
Water Notes - 1962	\$ 1,000.00	
Equipment Notes - 1963	7,300.00	3,650.00
Prescott Park Notes-1964	6,000.00	4,000.00
New Garage Notes - 1965	22,000.00	16,500.00
Water Notes - 1966	7,500.00	6,000.00
Water Notes - 1967	6,000.00	5,000.00
Sewer Const. Notes - 1971	80,000.00	72,000.00
Water Notes - 1972		40,000.00
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	\$129,800.00	\$147,150.00
 <i>Bonds Outstanding:</i>		
Sewer Const. Bonds - 1952	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Sewer Const. Bonds - 1953	10,000.00	5,000.00
Sewer Const. Bonds - 1956	25,000.00	20,000.00
Water Bonds - 1968	180,000.00	165,000.00
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	280,000.00	240,000.00
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Total Liabilities	\$409,800.00	\$387,150.00

EXHIBIT B-1
TOWN OF MEREDITH
General Fund
Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Current Year:

Property Taxes	\$1,106,421.91
Resident Taxes	12,770.00
Yield Taxes	1,187.16
National Bank Stock Taxes	407.45
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	\$1,120,786.52

Prior Years:

Property Taxes	\$ 203,069.50
Resident Taxes	4,064.30
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207,133.80

Tax Sales Redeemed 46,536.82

Interest Collected on

Delinquent Taxes 13,402.61

Resident Tax Penalties
Collected

429.00

\$1,388,288.75

From State of New Hampshire:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 33,820.18
Savings Bank Tax	4,136.13
Meals and Rooms Tax	14,382.93
Business Profits Tax	37,691.40
State Water Pollution Aid	4,486.00
Highway Subsidy Program	24,583.23

Road Toll Refunds:

Police Department	\$ 1,035.48
Highway Department	2,022.07
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3,057.55

Governor's Commission on
Crime and Delinquency
Reimbursements a-c Highway
Maintenance

2,050.00

661.50

Reimbursements a-c Old Age Assistance

Payment in Lieu of Taxes

Water Resources Board	76.80
Fighting Forest Fires	155.99
Reimbursements a-c T.R.A. Work	\$ 935.64
Reimbursements a-c 1971	
Resident Tax Overpayment	146.25
Police Training Program	300.00
Highway Safety Agency	625.00
Reimbursement a-c Town Poor	50.00

\$ 128,340.85

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$ 56,310.66
Fines and Forfeits - Municipal Court	5,817.49
Dog Licenses	1,227.50
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	87.00
Ambulance Service Fees	870.00
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	281.00
Sewer Assessments Collected (Principal)	6,265.27
Sewer Connections Assessments Collected (Principal)	926.73
Interest on Sewer Assessments and Sewer Connection Assessments	1,489.61
Town Clerk's Fees	901.50
Telephone Commission	126.24
Bicycle Licenses	67.60
Sale of Town Property	8.00
Sales of Bicentennial Items	37.00
Interest on Investments	1,503.86
Parking Fines	62.00
Prior Year Town Poor Expenditures	3,468.11
Comfort Station Receipts	503.00
Sub Division Fees	490.00
Prior Year Gas Reimbursement	
Water Department	131.66
Sale of Photocopies	450.75
Water Department Principal of Debt	3,500.00
Water Department - Interest on Debt	570.00

85,094.98

\$1,601,724.58

Total Current Revenue Receipts

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$492,975.07
Transfer from Pleasant Street Sewer Extension Fund a-c 1971 Acct.	1,893.52

<i>Grants From U. S. A.</i>		
Revenue Sharing Funds	\$26,651.00	
Emergency Employment Act	10,029.05	
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		\$36,680.05
Reimbursement from Public Library		
a-c Unexpended Balance of Special Appropriation	674.12	
Withdrawals From Capital Reserve Fund	10,000.00	
1973 Taxes Collected in Advance	336.77	
Prepaid Sewer Assessments	5,024.80	
Old Checks Cancelled	508.88	
<i>Appropriation Credits:</i>		
Town Officers' Administrative		
Expenses	1,197.84	
Election and Registration Expenses	27.00	
Police Department	388.91	
Fire Department, Including		
Forest Fires	441.50	
Insurance	2,429.93	
Sewer Maintenance	21,808.63	
Dump and Garbage Collection	1.00	
Town Maintenance	6,417.76	
General Expenses of		
Highway Department	1,113.64	
Town Poor	280.00	
Parks and Playgrounds	95.00	
Employees Retirement &		
Social Security	20.00	
Interest on Long Term Notes		
(Water Department)	800.00	
Private Sewage Disposal System	1,000.00	
Town Hall Renovations	1.66	
Field House Renovations	1,307.57	
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		37,330.44
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		\$ 585,423.65
Total Receipts From All Sources		\$2,187,148.23
Balance - January 1, 1971		257,176.76
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GRAND TOTAL		\$2,444,324.99
<i>Expenditures</i>		
<i>General Government:</i>		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 15,494.75	
Town Office Administrative		
Expenses	46,146.06	
Election and Registration Expenses	1,950.26	
Municipal Court Expenses	3,024.00	
Town Hall and Buildings		
Maintenance	10,904.46	
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		\$ 77,519.53

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	\$ 70,267.32	
Fire Department, Including		
Forest Fires	15,888.85	
Blister Rust and Care of Trees	150.00	
Planning and Zoning	4,559.07	
Insurance	19,598.66	
Civil Defense	309.83	
Hydrant Rental	10,800.00	
Conservation Commission	57.00	
	<hr/>	121,630.73

Health and Sanitation:

Health Department	\$ 6,800.00	
Hospitals	6,000.00	
Ambulance Service	5,000.00	
Sewer Maintenance	24,615.52	
Dump and Garbage Collection	9,720.30	
	<hr/>	52,135.82

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	\$ 1,471.85	
Town Maintenance	134,775.24	
Street Lighting	12,220.97	
Street Cleaning	841.83	
General Expenses of		
Highway Department	31,068.23	
	<hr/>	180,378.12

Libraries 16,850.00

Public Welfare:

Town Poor	\$ 5,201.29	
Old Age Assistance	16,457.18	
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Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day	\$ 500.00	
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Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds	14,863.38	
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	7,750.00	
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Unclassified:

Advertising & Regional		
Associations	\$ 1,067.36	

Employees' Retirement and Social Security		17,705.22	
Information Booth		1,000.00	
Longevity Pay		1,080.00	
Humane Society		500.00	
Emergency Employment Act Grant		9,814.22	
Fireworks		500.00	
Taxes Bought By Town		36,152.11	
Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency Grant		1,973.44	
<i>Overlay: (Discounts, Abatements and Refunds)</i>			
Property Tax Abatements	\$ 4,821.33		
Resident Tax Abatements	84.00		
Property Tax Overpayments Refunded		345.68	
Resident Tax Overpayments Refunded		10.00	
Yield Tax Overpayment Refunded		32.74	
Sewer Assessments Abated		106.20	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees Refunded		111.18	
			5,511.13
<i>Payments To Municipal Departments:</i>			
Water Department	\$ 110.00		
Sewer Department	50.00		
		160.00	
			75,463.48
<i>Debt Service:</i>			
<i>Interest on Debt:</i>			
Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes		7,024.93	
Paid on Long Term Notes		5,717.24	
Paid on Bonded Debt		9,472.50	
			\$ 22,214.67
<i>Principal of Debt:</i>			
Tax Anticipation Notes Paid (Contra)		\$492,975.07	
Payments on Long Term Notes		22,650.00	
Payments on Bonded Debt		40,000.00	
			555,625.07

Capital Outlay:

Parks and Playgrounds:

Improvements To Field House	\$ 1,569.99
New Constructions - Roads	24,362.24
Sewer Construction - Oak Street and Hillside Lane (Capital Projects Fund)	71,298.75
Sewer Plans - Winnepesaukee River Basin	6,000.00
Private Sewage Disposal Systems	1,550.00
New Equipment	13,200.04
Town Hall Renovations	1,187.54
Sweeper	10,932.00
Gas Pump	4,139.93
Sewer Plans - Oak Street Extension	611.50

Payments To Capital Reserve Fund

Highway Equipment Fund	10,000.00
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144,851.99

*Payments to Other Governmental
Divisions:*

State of New Hampshire:

Resident Taxes	\$ 7,730.09
2 percent Bond and Debt Retirement Taxes	117.30
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	\$ 7,847.39
	132,209.61

County Tax

School District Tax:

1971 - 1972 Assessments	\$409,196.87
1972 - 73 Assessments	330,000.00
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	739,196.87
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	879,253.87

Total Expenditures For All Purposes \$2,170,695.13

Balance - December 31, 1972 273,629.86

Grand Total \$2,444,324.99

Exhibit B-2
TOWN OF MEREDITH
General Fund
Summary of Treasurer's Account and Proof of Balance
Fiscal year Ended December 31, 1972

Balance - January 1, 1972	\$ 257,176.76	
Receipts During Year	2,187,148.23	
		<hr/> \$2,444,324.99
Expenditures During Year	2,170,695.13	
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Balance - December 31, 1972		\$273,629.86

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in the Meredith Trust Company		
Per Statement December 29, 1972	\$ 33,666.12	
<i>Add: Deposits of:</i>		
January 2, 1973	\$ 219,970.39	
January 4, 1973	1,219.48	
January 5, 1973	21,335.18	
		<hr/> 242,525.05
		<hr/> \$ 276,191.17
<i>Less: Outstanding Checks</i>		29,212.31
		<hr/> \$ 246,978.86
<i>Add: Cash on Deposit in Meredith Village</i>		
Savings Bank (Revenue Sharing Funds)		26,651.00
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Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1972		\$273,629.86

Exhibit B-3
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Payroll Fund
Statement of Account and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Balance - January 1, 1972	\$ 2,000.00	
<i>Receipts During Year:</i>		
Transfers From General Fund	182,228.96	
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		\$184,228.96
<i>Expenditures During Year:</i>		
Payrolls Paid	182,228.96	
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Balance - December 31, 1972		\$2,000.00

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in the Meredith Trust Company		
Per Statement December 31, 1972	\$ 660.62	
Add: Deposit of January 2, 1973	3,218.58	
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	\$ 3,879.20	
Less: Outstanding Checks	1,879.20	
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Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1972		\$2,000.00

Exhibit B-4
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Sewer Fund
Statement of Treasurer's Account and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Balance - January 1, 1972		\$ 6,914.36
<i>Receipts During Year:</i>		
Sewer Rents Collected	\$23,696.65	
Septic Tank Fees	192.00	
Water Rent (Contra)	14.00	
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		23,902.65
		<hr/>
		\$30,817.01
<i>Expenditures During Year:</i>		
Transferred to General Fund	\$21,638.63	
Refund	12.50	
Water Rent (Contra)	14.00	
		<hr/>
		21,665.13
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Balance - December 31, 1972		\$ 9,151.88

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in the Meredith Trust Company		
Per Statement December 29, 1972	\$18,690.41	
<i>Add:</i> Deposit of January 4, 1973	100.10	
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	\$18,790.51	
<i>Less:</i> Outstanding Check	9,638.63	
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Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1972		\$9,151.88

Exhibit B-5

TOWN OF MEREDITH

**Pleasant Street Sewer Extension Fund
Statement of Treasurer's Account
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972**

Balance - January 1, 1972	\$1,893.52	
Receipts During Year	<u>—0—</u>	
	\$1,893.52	
<i>Expenditures During Year:</i>		
Transfer To General Fund	<u>1,893.52</u>	
Balance - December 31, 1972		—0—

Exhibit B-6
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Cash With Fiscal Agents
Statement of Account and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Cash in Custody of Fiscal Agents - January 1, 1972:

National Shawmut Bank of Boston	\$ 137.50	
State Street Bank and Trust Company	1,430.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,567.50

Deposits With Fiscal Agents During Year:

a-c Maturing Bonds:

The National Shawmut Bank	\$25,000.00
State Street Bank and Trust Company	15,000.00

a-c Maturing Interest:

The National Shawmut Bank	1,552.00	
State Street Bank and Trust Company	7,920.00	
	<hr/>	49,472.50
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		\$51,040.00

Payments By Fiscal Agents During Year:

Matured Bonds Paid:

The National Shawmut Bank	\$25,000.00
State Street Bank and Trust Company	15,000.00

Matured Interest Paid:

The National Shawmut Bank	1,690.00	
State Street Bank and Trust Company	9,130.00	
	<hr/>	50,820.00
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Cash in Custody of Fiscal Agents - December 31, 1972	\$220.00
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PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in The State Street Bank and Trust Company - Per Statement December 31, 1972	\$220.00
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Exhibit C-1
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Summary of Warrants
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

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	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969
			Levies of:		
Uncollected Taxes-January 1, 1972:					
Property Taxes	\$	\$	\$204,897.61	\$1,859.12	\$928.14
Resident Taxes			4,655.30		\$2,242.74
Poll Taxes					
Yield Taxes				38.00	52.00
			234.00		12.00
Taxes Committed To Collectors:					
Property Taxes		1,323,300.94			
Resident Taxes		18,730.00			
National Bank Stock Taxes		407.45			
Yield Taxes		1,010.02			
Added Taxes:					
Property Taxes		1,503.04	897.60		
Resident Taxes			720.00		
Yield Taxes		250.00			
1973 Property Taxes Collected In Advance	336.77				
Overpayments Refunded:					
Property Taxes		337.38			

Resident Taxes
Yield Taxes

10.00
32.74

Overpayments To Be Refunded:

Property Taxes

.50

Interest Collected

151.38 9,368.11

Resident Tax Penalties

21.00 408.00

\$336.77	\$1,346,134.45	\$221,180.62	\$1,897.12	\$980.14	\$2,254.74
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	Levies of:				
1973	1972	1971	1970	1969	1968

Remittances To Treasurer During
Previous Fiscal Year:

Property Taxes
Yield Taxes

\$	\$	611.07	\$	\$	\$
		105.60			

Remittances To Treasurer During
Current Fiscal Year:

Property Taxes
Resident Taxes
National Bank Stock Taxes
Yield Taxes
Interest
Resident Tax Penalties

336.77	1,106,421.91	203,069.50
	12,770.00	4,064.30
	407.45	
	1,187.16	
	151.38	9,368.11
	21.00	408.00

Abatements Allowed:

Property Taxes	4,777.49	1,154.00	928.14
Resident Taxes	870.00	1,242.00	
Poll Taxes		38.00	52.00
			12.00

Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1972

Property Taxes	213,331.39	1,663.20	1,954.30	2,242.74
Resident Taxes	5,480.00	53.00		
Yield Taxes		234.00		
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	\$336.77\$1,346,134.45	\$221,256.11	\$1,992.30	\$980.14
				\$2,254.74

Less: Excess Credits:

a-c Property Taxes	91.49	95.18
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Add: Excess Debits:

a-c Resident Taxes	16.00	
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	\$336.77\$1,346,134.45	\$221,180.62
		\$1,897.12
		980.14
		\$2,254.74

Exhibit C-2

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Summary of Tax Sale Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

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	1971	1970	1969	Levies of: 1968	1967	1966
Unredeemed Taxes - January 1, 1972						
Tax Sale of August 1, 1972	\$ 36,152.11	\$23,816.91	\$13,440.04	\$3,078.37	\$ 267.80	\$ 12.26
Interest and Costs After Sale	481.74	968.55	2,088.66	320.24	16.79	7.10
	\$36,633.85	\$24,785.52	\$15,528.70	\$3,398.61	\$ 284.59	\$ 19.36

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Remittances To Treasurer:

Redemptions	\$21,925.29	\$11,850.55	\$11,474.06	\$1,228.33	\$ 46.33	\$ 12.26
Interest and Costs	481.74	968.59	2,088.66	320.24	16.79	7.10
Abatements Allowed	23.20		141.71	369.21		
Deeded To Town		386.79	45.08	744.44	210.73	
Unredeemed Taxes - December 31, 1972	14,203.62	11,579.59	1,779.19	736.39	10.74	
	\$36,633.85	\$24,785.52	\$15,528.70	\$3,398.61	\$ 284.59	\$ 19.36

Exhibit C-3

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Summary of State Head Tax Warrants
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

— DR. —

	1970	Levies of: 1969	1968
<i>Uncollected Taxes - January 1, 1972</i>	\$100.00	\$130.00	\$30.00

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<i>Abatements Allowed</i>	\$100.00	\$130.00	\$30.00
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Exhibit C-4
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Summary of Warrants
Current Sewer Assessments
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

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	1972	Levies of: 1971	1970
<i>Uncollected Assessments-Jan. 1, 1972</i>	\$	\$1,505.24	\$ 1.04
<i>Assessment Committed to Collector:</i>			
Principal	3,129.13		
Interest	1,203.36		
<i>Added Sewer Assessments</i>	1,652.00		
<i>Deferred Assessments Collected</i>	1,018.70		
<i>Overpayments to be Refunded</i>		34.56	
	<u>\$7,003.19</u>	<u>\$1,539.80</u>	<u>\$ 1.04</u>

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<i>Remittances to Treasurer:</i>			
Assessments Collected	\$5,173.43	\$1,091.84	\$
Interest and Costs	935.23	447.96	1.04
<i>Uncollected Assessments - Dec. 31, 1972</i>	894.53		
	<u>\$7,003.19</u>	<u>\$1,539.80</u>	<u>\$ 1.04</u>

Exhibit C-5
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Summary of Warrants
Current Sewer Connection Assessments
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

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<i>Uncollected Assessments - January 1, 1972</i>	\$ 368.57
<i>Assessments Committed to Collector:</i>	
Principal and Interest	846.81
<i>Deferred Assessments Committed to Collector</i>	55.40
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	\$1,270.78

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<i>Remittances to Treasurer:</i>	
Assessments Collected	\$ 926.73
Interest	105.38
<i>Uncollected Assessments - December 31, 1972</i>	238.67
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	\$1,270.78

Exhibit C-6
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Summary of Warrants - Sewer Rents
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

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<i>Uncollected Sewer Rents - January 1, 1972</i>	\$ 7,720.45
<i>Sewer Rents Committed to Collector</i>	19,530.49
<i>Added Sewer Rents</i>	410.43
<i>Overpayment to be Refunded</i>	12.60
	<u>\$27,673.97</u>

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<i>Remittances to Treasurer:</i>	
Sewer Rents Collected	\$23,696.65
<i>Abatements Allowed</i>	623.14
<i>Uncollected Sewer Rents Collected</i>	3,454.18
	<u>\$27,773.97</u>
<i>Less: Excess Credits a-c Sewer Rents</i>	100.00
	<u>\$27,673.97</u>

Exhibit D
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Statement of Town Clerk's Account
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

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Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:

1971 Permits	\$ 1,149.25	
1972 Permits	53,100.42	
1973 Permits	2,060.99	
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		\$56,310.66

Dog Licenses Issued:

1971 Licenses	\$ 6.00	
1972 Licenses	1,043.50	
Kennels	119.00	
Penalties	59.00	
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		1,227.50

<i>Bicycle Licenses Issued</i>	67.60
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<i>Filing Fees</i>	4.00
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<i>Town Clerk Fees</i>	901.50
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\$58,511.26

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Remittances To Treasurer:

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$56,310.66	
Dog Licenses	1,227.50	
Bicycle Licenses	67.60	
Filing Fees	4.00	
Town Clerk Fees	901.50	
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		\$58,511.26

Exhibit E-1
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Summary of Deferred Sewer Assessments Account
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Deferred Sewer Assessments - January 1, 1972	\$28,460.25
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Credits During Year:

1972 Assessment Committed To Collector	\$3,129.13
Prepayments of Deferred Assessments	1,018.70
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	\$ 4,147.83

Deferred Sewer Assessments - December 31, 1972	\$24,312.42
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Exhibit E-2
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Summary of Deferred Sewer Connection Assessments Account
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Deferred Sewer Connection Assessments - January 1, 1972	\$2,824.80
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Credits During Year:

1972 Assessments Committed to Collector	\$774.53
Prepayments of Deferred Assessments	55.40
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	829.93

Deferred Sewer Connection - December 31, 1972	\$1,994.87
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Exhibit F-1
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Water Department
Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Receipts

Water Rents	\$38,825.03
Long Term Notes Issued	40,000.00
Hydrant Rental	10,800.00
Federal Grant - Emergency Employment Act	5,437.48
Water Main Assessments	5,750.00
Entrance Fees	975.00
Refunds	282.82
Town of Meredith	110.00
Sewer Rents (Contra)	62.50
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Total Receipts From All Sources	\$102,243.83
Balance January 1, 1972	41,501.23
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Grand Total	\$143,745.06

Expenditures

Administration:

Officers Salaries	\$ 1,836.52
General Office Expenses	2,374.67
Other General Expenses	5,171.75
Insurance	2,097.95
Retirement and Social Security	1,487.56
Repairs To Office Equipment	215.44
Refunds	14.00
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	\$13,197.89

Operating Expenses:

Labor	\$ 8,949.75
Materials and Supplies	9,461.27
Repairs and Maintenance	5,189.67
Equipment	1,422.94
Garage Expenses	1,321.48
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	\$26,345.11

Capital Outlay:

New Mains	\$63,868.09	
Services	3,776.99	
Hydrants	2,174.46	
New Meters	2,166.76	
Other Equipment	1,029.89	
	<hr/>	\$73,016.19

Indebtedness:

Long Term Notes Paid	\$ 3,500.00	
Interest on Long Term Debt	1,370.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,870.00

Sewer Rent (Contra) 62.50

Total Expenditures For All Purposes	<hr/>	\$117,491.69
Balance - December 31, 1972		26,253.37
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Grand Total		\$143,745.06

Exhibit F-2
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Water Department
Summary of Treasurer's Account and Proof of Balance
Fiscal year Ended December 31, 1972

Balance - January 1, 1972	\$41,501.23	
Receipts During Year	102,243.83	
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		\$143,745.06
Expenditures During Year		117,491.69
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Balance - December 31, 1972		\$26,253.37

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in the Meredith Trust Company - Per Statement December 31, 1972	\$ 17,538.26	
<i>Add Deposits of:</i>		
January 2, 1973	\$11,324.90	
January 4, 1973	5.00	
January 5, 1973	3,897.48	
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		15,227.38
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		\$ 32,765.64
<i>Less: Outstanding Checks</i>		6,612.27
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		\$ 26,153.37
<i>Add: Petty Cash Fund</i>		100.00
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Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1972		\$ 26,253.37

Exhibit F-3
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Water Department
Summary of Customers' Deposits Account
and Budget Summary
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Balance - January 1, 1972	\$455.73	
<i>Receipts During Year:</i>		
Interest	9.72	
	<hr/>	\$465.45
<i>Expenditures During Year:</i>		
Bank Service Charges		1.50
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Balance - December 31, 1972		\$463.95

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in the Meredith Trust Company - Per Statement December 31, 1972	\$211.00	
Balance in the Meredith Village Savings Bank - Book No. 21890	252.95	
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Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1972		\$463.95

Exhibit G
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Public Library
Statement of Account and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Balance - January 1, 1972	\$6,528.93
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Receipts During Year:

Town Appropriation	\$16,850.00
Special Gift	500.00
Income From Trust Funds	1,244.95
Gifts	795.00
Interest Income	8.31
Fines	265.76
Lost Books	81.81
Books and Records Sold	106.32
Non-Resident Fees	96.00
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	19,948.15
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	\$26,477.08

Expenditures During Year:

Librarian's Salary	\$ 4,747.08
Assistant Librarian's Salary	4,485.30
Bookkeeper	231.00
Janitor	892.75
Books, Magazines and Records	4,430.21
Supplies	454.74
Telephone and Electricity	396.40
Water and Heat	716.79
Improvements and Maintenance	1,964.29
Insurance	601.00
Equipment	66.90
Social Security Taxes	527.11
Miscellaneous	171.61
Town of Meredith	674.12
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	20,359.30
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Balance - December 31, 1972	\$ 6,117.78
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PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in the Meredith Trust Company - Per Statement December 31, 1972	\$ 7,879.72
Less: Outstanding Checks	2,291.94
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	\$5,587.78
 <i>Add:</i>	
Balance in the Meredith Village Savings Bank - December 31, 1972	500.00
Petty Cash Fund - December 31, 1972	30.00
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Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1972	\$ 6,117.78

Exhibit H
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Municipal Court
Statement of Account and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

Balance - January 1, 1972	\$ 308.00
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Receipts During Year:

Fines and Forfeits	\$10,945.00	
Bails	400.00	
Restitution	163.50	
Bail Commissioner's Fees	30.00	
Small Claim Entrance Fees	11.50	
Overpayment Refunded	1.00	
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		11,551.00
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		\$11,859.00

Expenditures During Year:

Town of Meredith	\$ 5,817.49	
N.H. Department of Safety	3,432.20	
Bail Returned	300.00	
Printing and Supplies	294.22	
N.H. Fish and Game Department	281.00	
New Equipment	202.10	
Blood Tests	200.00	
Restitution	163.50	
Associate Justice	140.00	
Bail Transferred to Superior Court	100.00	
Attorney's Fees	97.80	
Bail Commissioner's Fees	30.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	15.20	
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		11,073.51
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Balance - December 31, 1972	\$785.49
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PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in the Meredith Trust Company - Per Statement December 31, 1972	\$ 549.85	
<i>Add: Deposits of:</i>		
January 4, 1973	\$ 155.25	
April 20, 1973	135.15	
	<hr/>	290.40
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	\$	840.25
 <i>Less: Outstanding Checks</i>		
		54.76
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 Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1972		\$785.49

Exhibit I

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Summary of Principal, Income and Investments Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1972

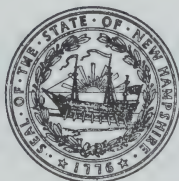
	—Principal—		—Income—			Balance of Principal & Income Dec. 31, 1972
	Balance Jan. 1, 1972	New Funds or Withdrawals	Balance Dec. 31, 1972	Jan. 1, 1972	Earned During Year	
Cemetery Funds	\$18,916.82	\$ 500.00	\$ 19,416.82	\$4,778.77	\$ 932.47	\$24,467.89
Library Funds	19,448.79	8.17(1)	19,456.96	774.00	1,439.49	20,288.52
School Funds	1,028.00		1,028.00	483.48	76.97	1,588.45
World War II Memorial Fund	200.00		200.00	114.39	15.98	330.37
Capital Reserve Funds:						
Highway Department	13,725.00	10,000.00	13,725.00	1,434.24	520.70	15,679.94
School Dept. - Athletic Field		460.00	460.00		9.62	469.62
	\$53,318.61	\$10,968.17	\$54,286.78	\$7,584.88	\$2,371.96	\$62,824.79
<i>Investments</i>						
1250 Shares - Puritan Fund, Inc.			\$ 8,331.83			
1015 Shares - Chemical Fund, Inc.			2,948.81			
778 Shares - Eaton and Howard Balanced Fund			3,991.84			
Meredith Village Savings Bank			47,552.31			
(1) Capital Gains Received						\$62,824.79

Exhibit J
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Town Officers' Surety Bonds
1972

<i>Tax Collector:</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Term Beginning</i>
Earle D. Hardy Peerless Insurance Co.	S-47-92-34	\$38,000.00	Mar. 14, 1972
 <i>Deputy Tax Collector</i>			
Mary C. Devine Peerless Insurance Co.	S-90-74-60	\$38,000.00	Mar. 14, 1972
 <i>Town Treasurer:</i>			
Norman E. Valliere Peerless Insurance Co.	S-39-57-71	\$38,000.00	Mar. 14, 1972
 <i>Deputy Town Treasurer:</i>			
Bruce Sanderson Peerless Insurance Co.	S-53-91-89	\$38,000.00	Mar. 14, 1972
 <i>Town Clerk:</i>			
Charlotte Straw Peerless Insurance Co.	S-34-04-03	\$ 8,000.00	Mar. 14, 1972
 <i>Deputy Town Clerk:</i>			
Louise I. Detscher Peerless Insurance Co.	S-95-13-62	\$ 8,000.00	Mar. 14, 1972
 <i>Town Manager:</i>			
Earle D. Hardy Peerless Insurance Co.	S-44-50-93	\$ 5,000.00	Mar. 14, 1972
 <i>Trustees of Trust Funds:</i>			
Henry H. Stark Peerless Insurance Co.	S-36-47-87	\$ 9,000.00	Mar. 9, 1971
Clyde C. Brown Peerless Insurance Co.	S-39-42-07	\$ 9,000.00	Mar. 14, 1972
Willard S. Grad Peerless Insurance Co.	S-95-13-55	\$ 9,000.00	Mar. 10, 1970
 <i>Clerk - Municipal Court:</i>			
Mary Jane Youngjohn American Fidelity Co.	93-78-55	\$ 5,000.00	Nov. 13, 1970

State of New Hampshire

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE



I, ROBERT L. STARK, Secretary of State of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby certify that the following and hereto attached is a true copy of an act entitled: AN ACT to abolish the water commission in the town of Meredith and transfer its functions to the selectmen. (Approved March 2, 1973) as enrolled in this office and held in my custody as Secretary of State.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and
cause to be affixed the Seal of the State, at
Concord, this 6th day of March
A.D. 1973.*

Robert L. Stark
Secretary of State

Chapter 19
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
*In the year of Our Lord one thousand
nine hundred and seventy-three*

AN ACT
to abolish the water commission in the town of Meredith
and transfer its functions to the selectmen.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Represen-
tatives in General Court convened:*

19:1 Meredith Water Works. The functions, powers, obligations and rights of the board of water commissioners of the town of Meredith, as set forth in 1959, 404:2, shall be transferred to the board of selectmen of the town of Meredith, who shall delegate to the town manager such powers and duties as they shall from time to time determine.

19:2 Board Abolished. The board of water commissioners of the town of Meredith is hereby abolished and the term of office of the members of said board shall expire when this act takes effect.

19:3 Referendum. This act shall not take effect until it is adopted by a majority vote of the legal voters of the town of Meredith at the annual town meeting in March, 1973, or a special meeting called for the purpose subsequent to said March meeting. If a vote is taken at the annual town meeting, the clerk shall cause to be included on the regular ballot for the election of officers the following question: "Shall the provisions of an act abolishing the board of water commissioners for the town of Meredith and transferring its functions to the selectmen as passed by the 1973 legislature be adopted?" Beneath this question shall be printed the word "Yes" and the word "No" with a square immediately opposite each such word, in which the voter may indicate his choice. If a vote is taken at a special meeting the town clerk shall prepare a special ballot with the above question and places for the voter to indicate his choice. If a majority of those present and voting on the question vote in the affirmative on this question, this act should be declared to have been adopted. The town clerk shall notify the secretary of state of the results of the vote provided for by this section within ten days.

19:4 Effective Date. Section 3 of this act shall take effect upon its passage and if the act is adopted at the meetings herein provided, the remainder of the act shall take effect as provided in section 3.

Approved March 2, 1973.

Effective date. Section 3 effective: March 2, 1973 and if adopted, remainder of act effective as provides in Section 3.

Report of the Planning Board

The Planning Board saw a change this year in the steady expansion of land subdivided. Approval was given for 30 subdivision plans, down 50 percent from last year with 60 approvals.

The Board was very impressed this year with the work of many Bear Island residents. An Association was formed and a large inland Tract purchased for a preserve. We congratulate the Bear Island Forestry and Wildlife Preservation Association.

This fall the Board worked on a Mobilehome Park and Trailer Park Ordinance using the safety standards recommended by the State Planning Commission. Hearings were held on the Ordinance January 12, 1974 and February 1, 1974.

Mr. Josiah Fisher was appointed to the Regional Planning Commission in the spring of 1973. Mr. Earle Hardy has recently been appointed to replace Mr. Jason Blais.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Jason Blais, Chmn.
Mr. Charles George
Mr. Douglas Hanson
Mr. Clifford Ulm
Mr. Bradbury Sprague
Mr. Robert Johnson
Mrs. R. Montana, Sec'y

Report of Meredith Zoning Board of Adjustment

1973

1973 was a most busy year for our Board reflecting the increased activity due to Applications for Special Exceptions and Variances as set forth in the Town of Meredith Zoning Ordinance. These applications require hearings with the Board of Adjustment performing as a lower court, and decisions are rendered according to interpretation of the text of the Zoning Ordinance.

Since the Board of Selectmen administers the Zoning Ordinance, any action by the Zoning Board of Adjustment would be to hear appeals of denials for building permits because of nonconformance, or hear and decide special exceptions to the terms of the Zoning Ordinance. In other words, matters involving buildings and Special Exceptions should be acted upon by the Board of Selectmen before any action is taken by the Board of Adjustment since our Board is not authorized to offer advice or opinions prior to a hearing.

Extreme care should be taken in placing buildings on lots to see that specified set back clearances are complied with. For instance: an appeal for a variance of a minimum set back was denied by our Board after having examined all available facts of the case, nature of the hardship and noting the lack of any stated or implied provisions of the Zoning Ordinance authorizing the granting of variances due to errors on the part of a builder. Such a case places the applicant in the position of having to purchase more land or move the structure in question to comply with set back specifications.

The Board feels fortunate in having had the services of Mr. Leo Kershaw, past Chairman who retired last September at the conclusion of his term, as well as Mr. Charles Woodman who resigned this Fall. These positions have been filled by Mr. Donald Shedd and Mr. Alan Hale.

We would also like to mention our alternates, Mr. Wilfred Canney, Normand Valliere, and Charles Rouvalis who due to the absence of any Member of the Board sit in their places, as for the benefit of all parties concerned, we do require in all instances that a full Board be seated.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Sherman, Chairman

Mary L. Robertson

Alan C. Hale

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Donald P. Shedd

Dorothy Forsberg, Clerk

Report of the Lakes Region Planning Commission

Mr. Earle D. Hardy
Town Manager
Municipal Building
Meredith, N. H. 03253

Dear Mr. Hardy:

The Lakes Region Planning Commission is functioning more and more as a vehicle through which inter-community cooperation is occurring. This third year of activity has seen an expansion of Regional Planning into the areas of Water Quality, Solid Waste Management, Land Use Planning and Assistance to Local Planning Boards.

Local Planning Assistance has been provided to most of the member communities at their request. The type of assistance provided ranges from base mapping and land use plans to advice on revisions of local codes and ordinances. In specific instances and at the request of the municipality, major developments have received a Regional Planning Commission review and recommendation. The coming year will enable the LRPC to follow-up on this type of review and will see the preparation of a preliminary Regional Land Use Plan for discussion by member communities. Present programs will be continued and greater emphasis will be placed on obtaining local municipal inputs and evaluation of Regional Planning efforts. Local assistance will be increased so that each municipality will be better able to evaluate the impact of growth on its future.

Accompanying this letter is a summary of the preliminary proposed Work Program and Budget for fiscal year 1974-75. The request from the Town of Meredith for the coming year is \$3,125.00. You will note that the major shift in the program is from the use of Consultants to improving the in-house staff capability. Such a move is consistent with the Commission's effort to strengthen the Local Planning Assistance Program.

Also enclosed is a sheet which indicates the appropriations requested from all communities within the jurisdiction of the Lakes Region Planning Commission. Twenty-one (21) of these communities are presently members, most of the remainder have been included within the boundaries of the Lakes Region Planning Commission for barely a year.

The formula for determining appropriations, as in the past, is based 50 percent on population and 50 percent on equalized valuation. There are three methods presently being employed for inserting the appropriation in the proposed budget. These include: (1) part of the Selectmen's budget, (2) part of the Planning Board budget, and (3) as a separate Warrant

Article. It is felt that either of the former methods recognizes the role of Regional Planning as a valid part of ongoing local government.

Finally, a copy of the Annual Report of the Lakes Region Planning Commission is provided for your review. We have attempted to prepare a report which may be used for educational as well as informational purposes. Regional Planning is successful only to the extent that it meets local needs. Should you have specific activities for consideration during the coming year, or should you have questions regarding the program of the Lakes Region Planning Commission, please contact either your representative or the undersigned at the office in Meredith, Tel. No. 279-6550.

Cordially,

David G. Scott
Executive Director

Report of the Lakes Region Planning Commission

Mr. Earle D. Hardy
Town Manager
Municipal Building
Meredith, NH 03253

Dear Mr. Hardy:

This will transmit to you a copy of the Audit of the Lakes Region Planning Commission for the fiscal year 1972-73 completed by Dana S. Beane, Jr., Certified Public Accountant.

Should you have any questions following your review of the report, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Would you please refer this copy of the Audit Report to the Town Budget Committee for their review prior to the request of the LRPC for 1974-75 funds.

Cordially,
David G. Scott
Executive Director

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Enclosures

Lakes Region Planning Commission Financial Report

Lakes Region Planning Commission
11 Lang Street
Meredith, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

We have examined the statement of assets, liabilities, and fund balances of the Lakes Region Planning Commission as at June 30, 1973, and the related statements of receipts and disbursements and analysis of fund balances for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The Lakes Region Planning Commission was created by the State of New Hampshire under Chapter 36, New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Section 36:45 through 36:53.

The basic bookkeeping method employed by the Lakes Region Planning Commission is the cash basis method for recording of cash receipts and cash disbursements. Its statement of assets, liabilities, and fund balances, however, is prepared under the accrual method of accounting giving recognition to amounts receivable and payable. As the organization entity is a planning commission, it is the opinion of the auditors that the costs of its studies and other programs should be accumulated as assets in its balance sheet. It is the opinion of the auditors that such information is of primary importance to the users of its financial reports. Such assets, although not physical in nature, are expected to bring further benefits in the future.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities, and fund balances and the statements of cash receipts and disbursements and analysis of fund balances present fairly the financial position of the Lakes Region Planning Commission as at June 30, 1973, and the results of its cash receipts and disbursements and analysis of fund balances for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to the statement of assets, liabilities, and fund balances and in accordance with the cash basis method of statement preparation for the statement of cash receipts and disbursements consistent with the prior year.

Very truly yours,

Dana S. Beane, Jr.
Certified Public Accountant

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Exhibit A

**Statement of Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balances
As at June 30, 1973**

ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash:

Checking account	\$ 928.11
Savings account - Note 1	27,262.26
Accounts receivable - Note 2	7,828.16

\$36,018.53

Fixed Assets:

Office equipment	3,432.28
Less - Accumulated depreciation	414.39

3,017.89

Planning Assets: - Note 3

Completed Reports:

Initial Housing Element Study	3,500.00
Population Study	3,000.00
Existing Development Regulations	3,000.00

9,500.00

Reports in Process:

Sewerage Disposal Plan (95 percent complete)	13,657.97
Solid Waste Disposal Plan (40 percent complete)	13,980.55
Land Capability Study (50 percent complete)	2,526.00
Existing Land Use Study (80 percent complete)	3,673.00
Initial Housing Element Study Addendum (95 percent complete)	2,388.00
Special Housing Needs Study (20 percent complete)	997.16
Economic Profile Study (50 percent complete)	457.00
Future Land Use Study (20 percent complete)	634.00

38,313.68

Total Assets

\$86,850.10

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

Current Liabilities:

Accounts payable	\$ 1,504.91
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Fund Balances:

General Fund	\$34,513.62
Fixed Asset Fund	3,107.89
Planning Fund	47,813.68

85,345.19

Total Liabilities and Fund Balances

\$86,850.10

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Exhibit A-1

Analysis of Fund Balances As at June 30, 1973

GENERAL FUND

Balance, July 1, 1972		\$24,858.13
Add:		
Excess of receipts over disbursements - Exhibit B		5,402.47
Excess of receivables over payables 6-30-73		6,323.25
Cash received in advance for fiscal year 1973-74 placed in savings account 6-30-73		22,484.00
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		59,067.85
Less:		
Excess of advances over payables 6-30-72	\$4,163.97	
Cash received in advance for fiscal year 1972-73 placed in savings account 6-30-72	20,390.26	
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		24,554.23
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Balance, June 30, 1973		\$34,513.62

FIXED ASSET FUND

Balance, July 1, 1972		\$ 1,794.61
Add - Fixed assets purchased:		
Paid in fiscal year 1972-73	\$1,123.06	
Unpaid at 6-30-73	350.00	
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		1,473.06
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		3,267.67
Less - Depreciation for year		249.78
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Balance, June 30, 1973		\$ 3,107.89

PLANNING FUND

Balance, July 1, 1972		\$ 5,500.00
Add - Cost of Studies Completed:		
Population Study	3,000.00	
Existing Development Regulations	3,000.00	
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		6,000.00
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Add - Cost of Studies in Process		38,313.68
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		49,813.68
Less - Cost of Superceded Report		2,000.00
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Balance, June 30, 1973		\$47,813.68

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Exhibit B

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1973

Receipts:

Town and City Grants:	
Fiscal year ending June 30, 1973	\$34,055.00
Fiscal year ending June 30, 1974 - Note 1	22,484.00
Department of Housing and Urban Development - Note 4	30,686.84
State of New Hampshire, Office of Comprehensive Planning - Note 5	12,000.00
Interest from savings account	856.26
Miscellaneous	108.85
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	\$100,190.95

Disbursements:

Salaries	34,292.30
Social security tax	1,527.27
Health and accident insurance	715.98
General insurance	201.00
Office rent	600.00
Office repairs	308.01
Telephone	715.63
Accounting	495.00
Planning expense	2,810.54
Consumable supplies	1,478.99
Publications and training	1,929.15
Postage	684.37
Office equipment	1,123.06
Regional Sewerage Disposal Plan and Program - Environmental Engineers	476.97
Initial Housing Element Study	87.00
Special Housing Needs Study	174.16
Expansion of Initial Housing Element Study	1,552.50
Solid Waste Disposal Plan - Phase One	13,617.55
Regional Sewerage Disposal Plan and Program - Note 4	8,167.00
State administrative cost of Regional Sewerage Disposal Plan and Program - Note 4	1,348.00
Transfer of fiscal year 1973-74 funds to Savings account - Note 1	22,484.00
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	94,788.48

<i>Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements</i>	\$ 5,402.47
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LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Notes to Financial Statements

As at June 30, 1973

Note 1:

Cash in the savings account consists of cash received from member cities and towns to be used for the July 1, 1973, to June 30, 1974 fiscal year, unexpended fiscal 1972-73 funds and interest earned as follows:

Fiscal 1973-74	\$22,484.00
Fiscal 1972-73	3,922.00
Interest	856.26
Total	<hr/> \$27,262.26

Note 2:

The accounts receivable represents reimbursable expenditures incurred by the Lakes Region Planning Commission due from the office of Comprehensive Planning, State of New Hampshire, under Federal and State programs as follows:

Department of Housing and Urban Development	\$6,828.16
Appropriated by State Legislature	1,000.00
	<hr/> \$7,828.16

Note 3:

Planning assets are recorded at cost exclusive of administrative overhead. Such amounts represent the accumulation of the financial costs incurred for specific projects performed by or for the Lakes Region Planning Commission since its inception.

These projects are evaluated annually to determine if such projects are current or have lost part or all of their value because of time or changing conditions.

Note 4:

The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) has received Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds through the Office of Comprehensive Planning, State of New Hampshire (herein called the State), equal to two-thirds of the total cost of certain technical or professional services. These services may be performed by the LRPC or contracted for. The State enters into contracts with or for the benefit of the LRPC for such services. Funds received by the LRPC during fiscal year 1972-73 represent funds obtained from two such contracts entered into by the State; one with the LRPC for \$21,171.84, and one with C. E. Maguire, Inc., for \$9,515.00.

The State entered into a contract with the LRPC for services to be performed in fiscal year 1972-73 at a total cost of \$42,000.00, \$28,000.00 of which would be financed by HUD and \$14,000.00 by the LRPC. During fiscal year 1972-73 the LRPC requisitioned the State for the \$28,000.00 due

under the contract. The LRPC received \$21,171.84 of this, and the balance of \$6,828.16 is due (see Note 2).

On May 19, 1972, the State entered into a contract with C. E. Maguire, Inc., for the regional sewerage disposal study in the Lakes Region at a cost of \$12,250.00. The LRPC financed its one-third share of the study, \$4,083.00 for the contract and \$674.00 for State administrative cost, in advance with fiscal year 1971-72 funds. During fiscal year 1972-73, C. E. Maguire, Inc., completed the study. HUD provided two-thirds of the cost, \$8,167.00 for the contract and \$1,348.00 for State administrative cost, which has been recorded as received by LRPC this fiscal year, 1972-73.

Note 5:

The Office of Comprehensive Planning, State of New Hampshire, allocates funds appropriated by the State Legislature for regional planning assistance. These funds were appropriated to provide funds for administrative cost and planning programs.

The Office of Comprehensive Planning, State of New Hampshire, owes the LRPC \$1,000.00 of this appropriation at June 30, 1973 (see Note 2).

Lakes Region Planning Commission

Preliminary Proposed Budget

1974-75

1973-74 Budget figures in paranthesis

1. Personnel (8 percent)		(37,966.00)	\$47,600.00
Director	(\$16,200.00)	\$17,500.00	
Regional Planner	(10,500.00)	11,300.00	
Secy-Bookkeeper	(5,766.00)*	6,300.00	
Planning Asst.	(----)	7,500.00	
Draftsman	(5,500.00)	(----)	
Interns	(----)	5,000.00	
2. Burden & Benefit		(3,356.00)	4,145.00
Bond	(33.00)	35.00	
Insurance	(175.00)	300.00	
Social Security	(1,988.00)	2400.00	
BC-BS	(990.00)	1190.00	
Allowance	(170.00)	220.00	
3. Overhead		(8,500.00)	9,600.00
Expenses	(1750.00)	2000.00	
Equipment	(750.00)	750.00	
Pub. & Training	(1500.00)	1750.00	
Rent & Office	(800.00)	1000.00	
Postage	(800.00)	800.00	
Supplies	(1500.00)	1500.00	
Telephone	(800.00)	800.00	
Audit & Legal	(600.00)	1000.00	
4. Consultant Services		(28,194.00)	19,000.00
Workshops & Seminars		2000.00	
Watershed Plan		1000.00	
Base Studies		1500.00	
Water Supply		5000.00	
Environmental Research		5000.00	
Housing		2500.00	
Open Space		2000.00	
		Total Budget	\$80,345.00
Proposed Town Appropriations			52,004.00
Matching Federal and State Funds			\$28,341.00

* Salary Adjustment effective October 1, 1973

Proposed Town Appropriations

1974-75

Town	1972					
	Dred Pop.	% Pop.	Equ'lzd Value	% E.V.	Reg. % Costs	Share
Alton	1,939	2.96	\$ 51,383.	5.06	4.01	\$ 2,085
Barnstead	1,238	1.89	27,594.	2.72	2.30	1,196
Belmont	2,942	4.50	24,531.	2.42	3.46	1,799
Brookfield	268	0.40	5,094.	0.50	0.45	234
Ctr. Harbor	627	0.96	17,661.	1.74	1.35	702
Effingham	394	0.60	8,305.	0.82	0.71	369
Freedom	417	0.64	15,407.	1.52	1.08	562
Gilford	4,126	6.30	71,967.	7.09	6.69	3,479
Gilmanton	1,283	1.96	22,478.	2.22	2.09	1,087
Laconia	14,902	22.77	133,733.	13.18	17.97	9,344
Meredith	3,075	4.70	74,278.	7.32	6.01	3,125
Moultonboro	1,631	2.49	83,556.	8.24	5.36	2,787
New Hampton	984	1.50	14,434.	1.42	1.46	759
Ossipee	1,748	2.67	35,041.	3.45	3.06	1,591
Sanbornton	1,334	2.04	17,788.	1.75	1.89	983
Sandwich	823	1.26	23,515.	2.32	1.79	931
Tilton	2,888	4.41	25,666.	2.53	3.47	1,804
Tuftonboro	1,132	1.73	35,331.	3.48	2.61	1,357
Wakefield	1,580	2.41	38,424.	3.79	3.10	1,612
Wolfeboro	3,117	4.76	75,835.	7.47	6.12	3,182
Franklin	7,500	11.46	53,488.	5.27	8.37	4,352
Northfield	2,368	3.62	14,565.	1.44	2.53	1,316
Alexandria	556	0.85	6,240.	0.62	0.73	380
Andover	1,214	1.86	13,460.	1.33	1.60	832
Bridgewater	445	0.68	13,030.	1.28	0.98	510
Bristol	1,742	2.66	28,862.	2.84	2.75	1,430
Danbury	512	0.78	7,949.	0.78	0.78	406
Hebron	314	0.48	11,440.	1.13	0.81	421
Hill	478	0.73	7,215.	0.71	0.72	374
Ashland	1,647	2.52	16,727.	1.65	2.09	1,087
Holderness	1,175	1.80	23,680.	2.33	2.07	1,076
Tamworth	1,056	1.61	16,021.	1.58	1.60	832
	65,455	100.00	1014,698.	100.00	100.01	\$52,004

Town Appropriations

1971 - 1974

			<i>Proposed</i>	
	<i>1971-72</i>	<i>1972-73</i>	<i>1973-74 *</i>	<i>1974-75</i>
Alton	\$ 2,121	\$ 2,064	\$1,895	\$ 2,085
Barnstead			(1,038)	1,196
Belmont	1,781	1,748	1,743	1,799
Brookfield			220	234
Center Harbor	628	628	608	702
Effingham			328	369
Freedom			(618)	562
Gilford	3,581	3,694	3,418	3,479
Gilmanton			(1,008)	1,087
Laconia	11,203	10,394	9,263	9,344
Meredith	3,429	3,282	3,083	3,125
Moultonboro	2,920	2,678	2,605	2,787
New Hampton			(830)	759
Ossipee			1,428	1,591
Sanbornton	909	938	858	983
Sandwich	914	988	918	931
Tilton	1,931	1,802	1,630	1,804
Tuftonboro	1,288	1,366	1,295	1,357
Wakefield			(1,503)	1,612
Wolfeboro	3,320	3,304	3,063	3,182
Franklin			(4,228)	4,352
Northfield			1,235	1,316
Alexandria			(358)	380
Andover			(815)	832
Bridgewater			533	510
Bristol			(1,365)	1,430
Danbury			(363)	406
Hebron			(408)	421
Hill			(320)	374
Ashland			1,003	1,087
Holderness		1,169	1,120	1,076
Tamworth			900	832
Requested	\$34,025	\$34,055	(\$50,000)	(\$52,004)
Actually Received	\$34,025	\$34,055	\$37,146	?

* 1973-74 - Figures in parenthesis indicate requests not appropriated, i.e. non-member communities.

Report Of The Parks and Playgrounds Commission

At our first meeting Dick Detscher was elected chairman and Larry Swain was elected Secretary for the coming year. Our new member, Bill Lamper, needed no introduction to the Board. We reviewed our responsibilities as an advisory council to the Board of Selectmen.

Our summer program, headed by our Recreation Director, Nate Torr, started early with maintenance of the parks and beaches:

Leavitt Park: required several truck loads of new beach sand; beach re-grading; clearing of the wooded area for more picnic tables and benches was started.

Waukegan Beach: Work is progressing on the installation of the retaining wall and we will have a greatly improved beach this season.

Prescott Park: Re-grading of the parking lot was completed; the large light poles over the tennis courts were painted; work has been started on our new municipal skating rink.

Due to heavy rains and wash-outs our summer program got off to a rough start the first week in July; however, we had a large turnout for all functions. Our two new activities, which were night tennis for ladies and adult swimming lessons, were both received with great enthusiasm. One hundred and fifty children enjoyed the activities at Prescott Park, which included: arts and crafts, tennis, games, field trips and special events. The swimming lessons were also very well attended, with daily participation of one hundred and sixty five children. These programs were all conducted under the direct supervision of Nate Torr, who dedicates approximately seventy five hours a week of his summer vacation from school for the benefit of our children.

The Commission, looking toward the future, would like to see an official sized skating rink, re-surfaced tennis courts, and the installation of bath houses at Waukegan Beach. Also, plans are being formulated to expand both the parking and beach areas at Leavitt Park.

The members of the Commission would also like to extend their appreciation to all the parents, who assisted in making the programs such a great success.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Detscher, Chairman
Robert Kroupa
Stephen Nedeau
Lawrence Swain
William Lamper
Nathan Torr, Director

Librarian's Report

January 1, 1973 - December 31, 1973

Annual Circulation & Use:

Adult non-fiction, 8,030, fiction, 12,605; books for children, 12,721; recordings, 451; films, 149. Grand total circulation, 33,956.

Book Stock:

Total 1972:

14,913.

New Acquisitions:

Purchases-adult non-fiction, 414, fiction, 415; Juvenile, 146; reference, 39. Gifts: adult non-fiction, 66, fiction, 63; juvenile, 24; reference, 4. Less Discards & Lost Books: adult, 201, juvenile, 407. Net Totals: adult, 10,922; juvenile, 3711; reference, 845.

Recordings & Other Audio-Visual Materials:

Total 1972, 418; purchases, 7. Net Total, 425, recordings. Purchased 7 Super 8mm. Walt Disney films; 1 Cassette Player-recorder & 1 cassette player. Grand Total books, recordings & films, 15, 912.

Registered Borrowers:

Re-registration conducted this year. Adult borrowers, 772; juvenile, 355.

Periodicals & Newspapers:

Purchases, 49 magazines including 3 juvenile; 1 newspaper. Gifts, Meredith News and 45 magazines.

Books Borrowed From Bookmobile & Inter Library Loans:

From Bookmobile, 2,130; Direct requests, 320.

Mr. William P. Melville, Assistant Vice President of New England Telephone one of our library users had us designated a Depository for all the Directories for the New England States and the Boroughs of New York City.

Library Hours:

Monday & Wednesday, 2 to 5, 6:30 to 8:30; Tuesday, 10 to noon, 2 to 5 & 6:30 to 8:30; Friday & Saturday, 10 to noon, 2 to 5. Closed Saturday afternoon during July & until after Labor Day.

Meetings Attended:

Central District Advisory Council; State Library Book Cooperatives; New Hampshire Library Association; New England Library Association; Film Previews for North Country Libraries (Maine, New Hampshire & Vermont); Workshop on School and Public Library Cooperation; World Community Day, Church Women United; Workshop on Revenue Sharing as it pertains to Libraries and clarification of New Hampshire Library Laws; Open House at Laconia Public Library after completion of remodeling; Orientation Day at New Hampshire State Library.

Outreach:

Mailing Books to shut-ins; book collections for Meredith Bay Nursing Home; Publicity and Display of the Home Eye Test for pre-school children; Publicity and Displays of "Shillcraft" Rugs, Salts & Peppers, Antique Fans, Historical Plates, Photography and Hooked Rugs; two visits of the "Little Red Wagon" at the Elementary School, one visit for "Culture Day"; Librarian acted as Group Recorder for Workshop on School & Public Library Cooperation; also reviewed books on the American Indian for World Community Day for the Church Women United program; Artwork of the first grades; Cards issued to all first graders and they visit the library once a week; Chess Tournament under the direction of Huntington Roberts; Book lists of new books; Circulation of Super 8mm Children's films. Assistant Librarian Marilyn Rushton presented several story hours, one at Lang Street School; supervised a cooking contest & tasting party for children, the Vacation Reading Club with 123 members and the Book Week play which required two performances. Our juvenile library users were the performers and parents assisted at rehearsals.

Mrs. Rushton completed her sixth course in the Public Library Techniques training. This one on Library Administration. She has two more to complete to receive her Certificate.

The librarian attended classes on Audio-Visual materials and utilization in libraries taught by Mr. Horace L. Roberts, Head of the Audio-Visual Division of the Department of Education.

Many building improvements have been made including downspouts and gutters repaired and-or replaced; brickwork sealed; clock face

repainted; interior walls and some woodwork painted; old wiring replaced and some new lighting added to attic and cellar.

We are in the process of creating a "Browsing" Area for adults in the room which formerly housed the juvenile non-fiction. All juvenile books are in one room with a card catalogue offering easy access to their books. The Friends of the Library are cooperating in this project and have already purchased an attractive free-standing Book Nook made especially for our youngest readers.

The Browsing Area will contain the Bookmobile books; paperback racks; magazines; books of special interest and with the addition of more shelving all the new books and some which have to be stored in the attic or cellar.

We hope to obtain the cooperation of our citizens in tape-recording the history of Meredith. We have a Cassette Tape Recorder and blank tapes. Anyone interested in taking part in this project should contact the librarian.

Gifts of money, books, Bookmarks from the Guy Horne Insurance Agency, Book Bags from the Meredith Banks and the local newspaper, Meredith News from Mr. and Mrs. Neal Phillips are all sincerely appreciated.

We depend on the Friends of the Library for help in supplying assistance and refreshments for our programs. Their report follows this one.

MARION R. WATSON
Librarian

Friends of the Library

Annual Report - 1973

The Friends of the Library act as a service organization for the library. Meetings are held at 9:30 A. M. at the library on the first Tuesday of the month. All are welcome to attend.

During the past year the Friends sponsored parties to stimulate interest in the Summer Reading Program and National Library Week, providing refreshments, prizes, and supervision. Of special interest was the one held in honor of National Library Week — a cooking contest for two age groups with a tasting party afterwards.

Members also take turns taking a supply of books to the Nursing Home each month.

During the year we had three major fund-raising projects:

A booth featuring second-hand books, white elephants, and food, which was part of the community's July 4th Fair

The sale of used books held once a week for a few weeks during the summer.

A dessert-card party held in the home of Mrs. Josephine Lloyd in October.

The money raised from these projects was used to buy materials for the Children's Book Week and the Summer Reading Programs and to supply special needs of the library. The latter included a wall map of New Hampshire, a card table, and the painting of the sign outside the library. The Friends also made a substantial contribution towards the purchase of a mobile bookcase for the Children's Room at the library. Recently they voted to provide dark shades for the upstairs windows so that movies may be presented there.

Respectfully submitted,

Sigrid von Brockdorff
Secretary

Report of the N. H. Humane Society

November 12, 1973

Office of the Selectmen
Town of Meredith
Meredith, N. H. 03253

Gentlemen:

For the year 1974, the N. H. Humane Society, whose animal shelter is located in Laconia, requests the Town of Meredith consider their animal control with a budget appropriation of \$500 to the Society.

In 1973, the town appropriated \$500. This was used to help operate the shelter making it available to your animal control officer to leave strays and restrain bite cases; to fulfill the town's requirement to the State Rabies Control Act 442-A; and, to aid your residents with their animal control problems.

In January, the Society will forward you the figures on the number of animals and Meredith residents that used our facilities in 1973. The new enlarged shelter will set a record with the number of people and animals that required its services again this year.

The enclosed letter outlines the service to be offered your animal control officer and special services available to your residents for the year 1974. We request the town of Meredith appropriate \$500 to the N. H. Humane Society for 1974.

Sincerely,

Fritz T. Sabbow
Executive Director

Service To Your Police Or Animal Control Officer

Your budget appropriation to the New Hampshire Humane Society provides your police or animal control officer with:

1. A facility available 24 hours a day for your police or animal control officer to leave strays.
2. It satisfies your compliance with the New Hampshire Statutes requiring isolation facilities on animals that must be restrained for possible Rabies, Chapter 442-A, Rabies Control Act.
3. Will assist your town with unusual animal problems and will help train your control officer in all phases of animal work.
4. Will cremate all your dead animals.
5. The society will investigate all complaints of cruelty and suffering to animals and will go to court in their behalf when necessary.

Service Available To Your Residents

1. The facilities are open to the public seven days a week, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for them to bring their unwanted animals. A small donation is requested used for the care of their unwanted pets.
2. Will assist owners with pets that must be put to sleep using the most modern painless method and will cremate all dead animals.
3. Will restrain owners animals in bite cases.
4. Has a continual educational program for schools, clubs, children and adults and offers free booklets on the training and care of animals.
5. Offers to the public, healthy animals for adoption. All have been examined by the society veterinarian, wormed if needed, all puppies are given a puppy distemper vaccination and all cats and kittens a regular distemper vaccination.
6. Offers a spaying fund for all cats and kittens adopted from the shelter.
7. The Society Shelter is the largest in New Hampshire, now in its 74th Year and the only facility of its kind in central and northern New Hampshire open all year round to help animals and owners with animal problems.

New Hampshire Humane Society

Report on Towns 1973

Town	Dog-Pup In	Cat-Kit In	Town	Dog-Pup In	Cat-Kit In
Laconia	258-386	236-548	Meredith	51-94	22-111
Gilford	22-49	11-31	Belmont	14-57	3-39
Franklin	48-68	2-57	New Hampton	13-25	0-39
Plymouth	1-84	0-110	Center Harbor	5-43	0-56
Sanbornton	16-21	2-34	Tilton	30-63	8-125
Bristol	4-71	0-72	Wolfeboro	0-27	0-25
Gilmanton	23-20	3-25	Northfield	23-5	20-12
Alton	8-17	2-22	Moultonboro	34-8	0-27
Sandwich	11-10	1-32	Ashland	11-44	3-98
Tuftonboro	1-14	0-10	Holderness	9-20	1-18
Campton	0-17	0-22	Hill	3-18	0-19
No. Woodstock	9-21	0-26	Barnstead	4-3	0-8
Lincoln	5-10	0-12	Bridgewater	4-1	0-5
Unknown	45	163	Melvin Village	1	15
Winnisquam	9	7	Pittsfield	8	18
Lockmere	10	0	Loudon	3	5
Ossipee	2	4	Concord	4	59
Pembroke	1	0	Manchester	4	0
Grafton	0	3	Littleton	9	11
Rumney	12	22	Franconia	1	0
Andover	1	0	Hebron	16	0
Thornton	6	0	Wentworth	3	15
Rochester	2	1	Danbury	17	16
Farmington	1	11	New Durham	0	1
Nashua	1	0	Durham	0	1
Out of state	21	16	Lisbon	0	1
Canterbury	5	19	Lancaster	6	0
Sanbornville	1	0	Suncook	0	3
Penacook	1	0	Sugar Hill	0	4
Hudson	1	0	Middleton	2	0
Conway	0	1	Enfield	0	1
Springfield	5	0	Bethlehem	.	1
Whitefield	8	0	Hampton	1	0
Newport	1	0	Tamworth	5	4
Warren	10	4	Alexandria	1	1
Oxford	0	15	Beebee River	0	9
			612-1428 314-2026		

Total dogs, pups, cats, and kittens received in 1973.	- 4380	
Increase or decrease over 1972 (+ 293 dogs,-76 cats)	- 217	increase
Other non domestic animals received.	- 109	
Number of towns using the society shelter in 1973.	- 72	
Number of animals left by animal control officers.	- 926	

Towns with two figures, the first figure is the number of animals left by the animal control officer and the second figure, the animals left by the residents. Added together is the total number left by the town.

Report of Lakes Region Association

The Lakes Region Association What It Does For Your Town And You

As the Lakes Region Association enters its thirty-eighth year of service to the thirty-nine towns and three cities it represents, we face the annual task of appeal to our communities for support of their association. Regional cooperation in economic development as practised by the Regional Associations in New Hampshire, was once most unique, but now several other states have watched the fruits of our efforts and have adopted a similar program for their state. We present herewith our request for your consideration in the preparation of your town's 1974 Budget.

The Lakes Region Association becomes the catalyst in coordinating action between the state agencies and the local communities, so that the greatest benefits from research, planning, development and promotion can all be realized in our Region.

Never before has the need been greater to combine funds to get the greatest return for all. Through the Region program your community finds its spokesman, to the interested visitor, who wishes more information on our Region.

Our office services approximately ten thousand letters each year on this Region. Most of our small towns do not have chambers of commerce, and we willingly handle all letters passed on to us by local Selectmen's offices.

Please do not confuse the efforts of our Association with the Regional Planning Commission. Our efforts do not over-lap, for there are many areas that are in their province and many that they do not cover, that we carry the ball on.

The Lakes Region Association is vitally concerned with every aspect of regional development, concentrating on those problems which are likely to affect the orderly growth and development of one or more of our municipalities. The Regional Association is acutely conscious of the necessity to preserve the unspoiled beauty of our rural towns and protect the amenities of life for which our Region is justly proud.

By your town's proportionate share towards the operation of our office, you have an agent that is working, year round for your needs. Involved in the Region's interest on all points from natural resources, highways, community planning, historical sights, as well as publicity and promotion.

You will note that the formular, set long ago, is still 1-100th of 1 percent of each town's assessed valuation. Today for those towns that have been revalued, we use a formular of 1-2,000th of 1 percent, which brings it to a more fair figure for each town. However, in either case this is a small amount for each town's share.

We hope your town will vote favorably upon this article.

Respectfully submitted,
Mildred Beach,
Executive Secretary

The Lakes Region Association
Wolfeboro, N.H. 03894

Report of Meredith Public Health Nursing Association

1973

The Nursing Association still continues to serve you the people. Somebody still makes housecalls and that is what our goal is. We have bedside nursing, physical therapy, nutrition, pre and post natal care, and pre school clinics for contagious diseases. Social services are also given when needed. We made 87 referrals to the Physicians' this past year for patients to either phone or see them.

We have meetings throughout the year with Medicare consultants to keep up on changes in policies, records, etc. to meet government standards. We also attend workshops and Home Health Agency meetings to keep informed on the new techniques in the care of patients. Monthly meetings are held with the board members to discuss patient load, and anything else pertinent to the organization. A semi annual meeting is held with our local physicians, staff, and advisory board, pertaining to patients, records, clinics, and needs of the agency.

We expect to have an agreement with the Central Home Care Services of Laconia to provide Meredith with homemaker services in the near future. These women will assist with light housework, baby sit if Mother is in the hospital or is unable to care for the children in the home, get meals, do shopping etc.

Meals on wheels has come to Meredith. Only a few are being served now, but hope it will increase as people become aware of the project.

Service clubs and individuals continue to bring cheer to the needy with money, clothing, and food.

We are grateful for the Help organization who assist people to go to the physician's office, hospital, and necessary errands.

Another year has passed and I thank my Board, Physicians and all who contributed to make my work interesting and enjoyable.

Respectfully submitted,

Orilla M. Richards, R. N.

Public Health Nursing Association

Report of the Treasurer for 1973

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1973 \$ 4,439.87

Receipts:

Medicare	\$ 5,183.10
Title 19	657.00
Blue Cross '65	219.20
Fees collected	1,257.50
Town of Meredith	6,800.00
Dues and Donations	472.00
Typewriter (trade in)	15.00
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	\$14,603.80

Total Receipts	<hr/>	\$19,043.67
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Disbursements:

Orilla M. Richards, R. N.	6,443.36
June A. Plummer, R. N.	2,496.32
Beverley B. Curtis, Bookkeeper	1,454.75
Henrietta M. White, R.P.T.	765.31
Mileage	527.98
Telephone	247.44
Rent	120.00
Life Insurance	21.84
Advertising	50.00
Nurse supplies	84.90
N. H. Unemployment Fund	304.53
Meredith Trust Co. (F.I.C.A.)	897.97
Insurance - Liability	98.70
Dues	95.80
Licenses	6.00
Miscellaneous	164.41
Office equipment	263.00
Office supplies	103.56
Repairs - sterilizer	31.00
Fees paid others	37.44
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	\$14,214.31

Balance on Hand January 1, 1974	\$ 4,829.37
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Respectfully submitted,

John W. Beede, Treas.

Administration and Trustees of Lakes Region General Hospital

Mr. Earl Hardy, Town Manager
Town of Meredith
Meredith, New Hampshire 03253

November 29, 1973

Dear Mr. Hardy:

I would like to thank you on behalf of the Administration and Trustees of Lakes Region General Hospital for the support you have given our Hospital, and I would like to invite you and your committee members to LRGH to see the high degree of morale that exists here.

We never know when we are going to need the facilities of our Hospital, and I am sure that you quite agree that we must keep its equipment at the most sophisticated level, operating at the best level possible to better serve those who are its patients.

I have enclosed a list of equipment that Lakes Region General Hospital will be faced with purchasing in the next year. We would very much appreciate your help in this and would ask that your appropriation be designated specifically for equipment purchases.

In the past, the need to ask the surrounding communities for financial aid has not been so strong as it is now. The Cost of Living Council has imposed onerous and stringent regulations on health care institutions and, as such, LRGH is very limited in the increases it may ask in room rates and in the various services which it provides.

This has had the effect of restricting our expenditures of equipment, and I am sure that you are aware that while some of the items on this list may not be applicable to ourselves and may not be necessary to any resident of your community in the coming year. On the other hand, it just may save the life of a resident of your community.

With this in mind, we would like to ask you to increase your appropriation to LRGH from \$6,000 of last year to \$12,000 this year.

I look forward to meeting you at our Hospital at your convenience to further explain LRGH's needs to you.

Sincerely,

Robert Selig
Chairman, Finance Committee

Lakes Region General Hospital 1974 Equipment Budget

Replacements:

Air conditioner unit - Operating Room	\$ 6,000.00
Cardiology machine	800.00
Anesthesia machine - Operating Room	6,500.00
X-Ray Processor	16,500.00
Pulmonary function analyzer	3,000.00
Volume ventilator	3,000.00

New Equipment:

26 Over-bed tables and bureaus for South I	5,200.00
Fetal cardio-monitor	5,000.00
Sterilizer - Out-Patient Department	4,000.00
Five unit dose medicine carts	2,500.00
Heart-lung resuscitator	1,500.00
Coulter counter	65,000.00
X-Ray special procedure room	150,000.00

Meredith Civic Association Report

The Board of Directors held ten regular meetings this year. The meetings were held on the first Monday of each month with the exception of July and August.

As in past years, there were two membership meetings. The Spring Meeting, in May, was a Dinner Dance held at the Waukegan Country Club. The music was provided by the Blue Tones.

The Annual Fall Meeting was held at Hart's Restaurant. This meeting was followed by dancing to the music of Jim McMullin. At this meeting a plaque was presented to retiring secretary, Hannah Cummings, as a token of appreciation for her many years of faithful service. Maurice Gregoire and Robert Kroupa were also recognized and thanked for their four years of service. The new Directors elected at this meeting were Kenneth Anair, John Breault and Vernal Drake.

In February, the Association sponsored its first Winter Carnival. Mitzi Ruel was crowned Carnival Queen. Prizes were awarded for snow sculptures, snowmobile and jalopy races were held on Meredith Bay and the American Legion sponsored a beef stew supper.

As in past years the townspeople supported the Association by voting in the sum of \$1000.00 to help defray the expenses of the Information Booth and \$500.00 for a fireworks display on July 4th. This appropriation is very much appreciated by the Association.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of Chairman David French. William Moscardini became chairman and Dorothy Forsberg was elected Vice Chairman.

In May, the Association again sponsored a Clean-up Week. Thirty five dollars in prizes were awarded for the posters done by the elementary school students.

July found the Association sponsoring a fireworks display. To add to the festivities there was a concert by the Interlakes Summer Band. A Community Fair was held during the day and a chicken barbecue by the American Legion that evening.

Due to the energy crisis the Board decided not to decorate the Community Tree at Hesky Park. They did, however, sponsor the Christmas Decorating Contest. The Association, with the help of the Police Department, also sponsored a Christmas Party for the children. This party was a great success thanks to many generous donations from various businesses in town.

As in the past, the secretary answered many letters pertaining to general information about Meredith and also accommodations in the area.

This year 10,000 brochures were printed and distributed to many places including resorts in the White Mountains, Rest Areas, Sport Shows and Fairs.

Information Booth Report

The attendants at the Information Booth this year were very busy with inquiries of what, where and how to get to many interesting areas both here and further North. The questions were varied as to how to get to camping areas, stores, restaurants, gift shops, cottages, motels and what is going on for entertainment. The attendants were Hannah Cummings, Lucy Willard, Andrea Thorne and Annette Hamilton

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Sanderson, Secretary

MEREDITH CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Report of Treasurer

For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 1973

Cash on October 1, 1972 \$ 959.52

Receipts:

Town of Meredith, Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Membership Dues	2,860.00
Brochure Advertising	1,180.00
Association Dinners	1,222.00
Sale of Maps and Charts	143.93
I.R.S. Refund	17.79
Poster Contest Refund	5.00
Winter Carnival	102.00
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Total Receipts	7,030.72
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Total Cash	\$7,990.24

Disbursements:

Salaries and Wages	2,347.88
Secretary	\$1,036.95
Treasurer	283.09
Booth Attendants	1,027.84
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Federal Social Security etc.	498.82
State Payroll Taxes	49.47
Association Dinners	1,183.20
Maps and Charts for Resale	38.30
Meredith News - Brochures	1,114.35
Dues, Donations and Prizes	130.00
Insurance	32.00
Fireworks	1,000.00
Electricity and Telephone	242.65
Supplies	26.56
Other Expenses	122.90
Postage	100.00
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Total Disbursements	\$6,886.13
Check Book Balance - September 30, 1973	1,104.11
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MEREDITH CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Building Fund Balance held in Meredith Village
Savings Bank - September 30, 1973

\$ 68,88

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce U. Sanderson
Treasurer

1973 Police Report

Having completed twenty-six years as your Police Chief, I have reached retirement age and therefore this is my final report. A detailed report of the police activities for the year 1973 is herewith submitted including a break-down of court cases.

Thanking you, the taxpayer, for your fine cooperation over the years.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman R. Martin
Chief of Police "retired"

Detailed Report of Police Activity 1973

Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated 163, Injured 43, Fatals 2
Pedestrians 2, Motorcycles 2, Bicycles 1
One Car Accidents 65, Two car 88, Three car 4, Four car 1
State Roads 92, Town Roads 50, Parking Lots 21
Court Cases, Result of Accidents 51
Suicides 1, Attempted Suicides 1, Sudden Deaths 3
Complaints Investigated 1,819, Shooting Complaints 29, Mini Bikes 42,
Snowmobiles 12, Annoyance Phone Calls 29
Burglary Alarms 47, False Alarms 46
Burglary: Summer Homes 71, Stores 3, Subjects apprehended 9
2 Responsible for 50 Burglaries
Malicious Damage 51, Apprehended 9
Stolen Items 73, Recovered 16, Apprehended 7
Motor Vehicles 4, Vehicles recovered 4, Apprehended 3
Lost Items Reported 45 - Returned to owners 11
Found Items 73 - Returned to owners 61
Missing Persons 41, located 39
Missing Persons Located for other Departments 4
Wanted Persons Located for other Departments 3
Lost Persons 3 - Located 3

Services Rendered For:

Other Police Departments, Motorists, etc. 882
Gasoline for Motorist 47, Changing Tires 7, Other Assists 45
Assisted Sick or Injured 110, Escort to Hospital 9, Clinic 10, Hospital 3
Assisted Ambulance 25, Miscellaneous 21, State Hospital 2, Mentally Sick
calls 40
Traffic Control at Traffic Lights 25
Traffic at Intersection of Meredith Neck Road & Route 25, 19
Traffic at Shopping Center 5, Barnard Ridge Road 1
Policing Leavitt Park 12, Heavy Rains Blocked Off Route 3, 1 day

Traffic at Inter-Lakes High School for Camp Nokomis 4

Correspondence 298

Inter-Lakes School District - School Teen Dances 3, Carnival Ball 1, Escort Digby Regional High School Concert Band from Town Line to Inter-Lakes High School, Cheer Leader Contest 1, Escort Girls Basketball Team "Champs" from Town Line into Town, Girl's State Basketball Play-offs 2, Basket Ball Games 10, Class day. Booster Club Basketball Game, Donkey Basketball Game, High School Band Concert at Town Docks from Boat Mount Washington.

Turning Lights off at Prescott Park 24

Funeral Traffic 38

Church Traffic 98

Weddings, Traffic Duty 6

Fires 45, False Alarms 1

Lights indicating heat or refrigeration out of order 20

Doors Found Unlocked, Windows Open etc. 174

Merchants to Bank 191

Subjects Taken to Jail for Safe Keeping 41, N. H. Youth Development Ctr. 11

Family Problems 50

Notices 229, Miscellaneous 207, Death 11, Sickness 11

Request Property Check 41, Relay of people 36

Escort of Buildings 4

Fingerprinting - 14, Alien 2, Employment 2, Adoption purposes 6, Elimination Suspects 4

Animals:

Dog Complaints 214, Cases turned over to Dog officer 33, Reported lost 49 Found 4, injured by car 6, taken to Vets 1, Killed by car 14, Taken to Humane Society 27, Restrained 17, Bitten by dogs 12, Annoying People 76, Returned to Owners 55, Damage to Property 1, Chasing Deer 17, Destroyed 9, Court Resulting 3, Given a home 1

Other Animal Complaints

Cats 10, Taken to Humane Society 4, Cows & Horses in Highway 9, Deer Killed by Cars 7, Deer Killed by dogs 3, Injured & Destroyed 2, Raccoon, Skunk, Fox 4, Squirrels, Bats 2, Rats 1, Sheep and Ducks.

Miscellaneous:

Memorial Day Parade, Advent Church Parade from Town Docks to Church and Church Service at Hesky Park, Episcopal Church 25th Anniversary 2 days, Dedication New War Memorial, Town Meeting 1, Election 1, Music Festivals 12, Youth Concert 1, Collection from Jimmy Fund Containers and Softball Games \$259.00, Blood to Concord at State Lab for Alcohol Content 7, Fireworks Display, Halloween Party, Vehicles Towed Off Streets 17, Police Meetings 12, Speaking Before Groups: Rotary Club, Cub Scout Bicycle Rodeo, Youth Group Congregational Church, Cadet Program, Improvement Society, Driver Education at High School. Police Schools: New Criminal Code, Part 1 & 2 6, Breathalyzer School 2, State Police School 1, First Aid 1, Prosecuting of Court Cases 1, St. Ansloms College 2, Riot & Crowd Control Practice.

1973 Police Report

COURT — 1973

Motor Vehicle

Speed (Radar 76)	124
Yellow Line Violation	36
Stop Sign & Red Light	14
Fail to Yield Right of Way	4
Fail to Keep Right	2
Following Too Closely	3
Passing Within Intersection	1
Passing on Right	1
Wrong Way on one way street	1
Driving While Intoxicated	53
Reckless Operation	2
Leaving Scene of Accident	2
Disorderly Conduct with Car	1
Operating Without A License	11
Allow to Op. Without License	4
Operating after Susp. or Rev.	8
Op. Unregistered Vehicle	12
Op. Without Financial Resp.	2
Misuse of Plates	7
Uninspected Vehicles	76
Op. without Eye Glasses	1
Unsafe Tires	37
Defective Equipment	5
Op. M.C. without A Helmet or Face Protection	8
Fail to Stop for School Bus	1
Fail to Stop for Police Officer	2
Taking Car W-O Owners Consent	3

Criminal

Assault & Battery	7
Larceny	12
Concealment of Merchandise	3
Defrauding Inn Keeper	3
Fraudulent Checks	23
Burglary	4
Disorderly Conduct	3
Lewdness	1
Drunkenness	17
Illegal Possession (Beer)	15
Procuring Beer for Minors	2
Possession of Marijuana	3
Present where is Marijuana is kept	4
Rape	1
Non-Support	1
Resisting Arrest	1
Juvenile Delinquents	27
Contributing to Delinquency	2
Carrying Pistol W-O Permit	1
Fail to Abate Dog Nuisance	3
Smelting in a Closed Brook	1
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Court Cases resulting from Accidents	51
Appeal Cases	7
Testified before Grand Jury	30
Secret Indictments	16
Testified before Superior Court	8

Meredith Fire Department

During the year 1973, the Fire Department answered a total of 69 alarms. There were 9 building fires, 7 chimney fires, 11 truck and car fires, 5 electrical fires, 1 trash fire, 2 false alarms, 29 mutual aid calls and 5 miscellaneous calls.

The Fire Department has received delivery of six more home alerting devices (plectrons) in 1973, bringing the total up to 32, to assure quicker response of your fire fighters to all fire calls.

During 1973, a mobile two-way radio, on the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid frequency, was installed on Tank Truck No. 2.

An alerting device was installed in the Fire Station in the fall, to enable the Mutual Fire Aid dispatcher in Laconia to blow our fire alarm.

A Mutual Fire Aid Inter-Town Drill was held in Meredith on July 19th, with 8 towns sending trucks and men for this event.

The Fire Department also participated in Mutual Aid Inter-Town Drills during the summer months with the other towns in our responding area.

Nine Meredith fire fighters attended the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Fire School in June at the State Civil Defense Training Center in Gilford.

During the year, we constructed a Radio Room on the 2nd floor for our radio and alerting equipment. This will enable our Fire Department dispatcher to work more efficiently during fire emergencies.

In closing, again we wish to thank all employees and residents of the Town for all the assistance given us this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
SHERMAN B. CARTER

Winnisquam Fire Department

ANNUAL FIRE REPORT — 1973

Total number of emergency calls 52

Twelve (12) were Mutual Aid calls
Forty (40) were in the Winnisquam area

These calls were in the following towns:

Belmont	20
Tilton	12
Sanbornton	8

Type of calls:

Rescue & Vehicle Fire	12	False Alarms	2
Residential	12	Barn Fires	3
Commercial	4	Chimney	3
Brush Fire	6	Electrical	4
Stand-By & Cover	4		

The trucks were operated — 572 miles

Total man hours spent — 768 hours

The present fire equipment consists of:

1 - 1968 — 750 gallon pump — 1000 gallon tank
1 - 1952 — 500 gallon pump — 600 gallon tank
1 - 1951 — 350 gallon pump — 400 gallon tank
1 - 1958 — Van type Rescue truck

A Dry-Hydrant was installed nearby the Bay Meeting House in Sanbornton.

There are at present 28 volunteer firemen enrolled in the Department. A Regular Meeting, Officer's Meeting and a Drill are held once each month, as well as attendance at Mutual Aid Meetings and Fire Schools.

A total of eleven (11) members attended the two-day fire school during 1973.

Approximately 100 children in the Winnisquam Area attended the annual Carole Davis Children's Christmas Party on Dec. 16th, met a real Santa Claus, and were given presents, candy and ice cream.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Fletcher, Clerk

Winnisquam Fire Department

Report of the Forest Fire Warden and District Chief

The New Hampshire Forest Fire Service is represented in every town, city or unorganized place in our state by the forest fire warden. Anyone wishing to kindle an outside fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the fire warden. Except for cooking fires, no fire can be kindled between 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. unless it is a commercial or industrial burn or it is raining. The fire warden is assisted in his work by the District Forest Fire Chief who works for the Department of Resources and Economic Development Forest Fire Service.

Fire prevention was, again this year, the most important part of the Forest Fire Warden's job. Fire statistics show the need with 72 percent of the fires caused by smoking, debris burning and children. Smokey the Bear is an important prevention tool but he still needs much help from the public. Parents should warn their children of the hazards of playing with matches. Children tend to forget that a lighted match held in their hand is a potential forest fire.

Forest Fire Record:

	State	District	Town
Fires reported	617	36	4
Acres burned	244	32½	½
Acres average size	.395	.9	.125

BRADBURY SPRAGUE
Forest Fire Warden

HUBERT C. HARTWELL, JR.
District Fire Chief

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Meredith, New Hampshire
For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1973			
Jan.			
2	Katie Marie	Robert Creighton Jones	Pauline Loraine Padilla
8	Traci Ann	Gary Stanley Weeks	Carol Ann Armstrong
24	Jeffrey Alan	Alan Patrick Ruel	Ellen Jean Robertson
Feb.			
11	William Thomas	William Hindaugh Forristall	Kathryn Jean Roux
15	Maura Patricia	Thomas Patrick Costello, 3rd	Ruth Anna Raymond
15	Laura Marie	Walter Richard Newcomb	Marjorie Joyce Earl
16	Lisa Marie	Wayne G. Kelley, Jr.	Barbara Jean Chase
23	Jennifer Leigh	Michael Francis Isabelle	Patrice Marie Dunn
Mar.			
14	Jessica Ardra	John Allan Gray	Leslie Ann Swain
15	Craig	Bruce Sanderson	Barbara Harriett Bessom
26	Karen Louise	Gene Alan Wilmot	Diane Jean Fontaine
Apr.			
3	Danielle Rae	Anatole Joseph Paquette, Jr.	Donna Rae Foote
27	Danielle Kay	Arnold Earl Piper	Janice K. Haley
May			
2	Farren Matthew	Edward James McLearn, Jr.	Linda Ann Knott
5	Melissa Lynn	Clayton Kenneth Dolloff	Arlene Lillian DuBois
7	William Lewis, IV	William Lewis Reinhardt, III	Mary Jane Desilets
21	Alison McKee	Robert Leon Kroupa	Margaret Mary O'Sullivan
28	Walter Duane, Jr.	Walter Duane Frisbee	Joan Mildred Wilcox
June			
6	Kelly Lynn	Dana Allen Wein	Lynn Rosamond Conway
8	Shawn Michael	Terry Dwight Berry	Nancy Lee Wyatt
17	Anne Marie	Harold Elmer Currier, Jr.	Janice May Weatherbee
20	Adelaide Revere	Roderick Stuart Donaldson	Anne Engel
July			
2	David Grant	Walter Louis Mitchell	Nancy Blackwell Jones
2	Kristine Louise	Walter Scott MacQueston	Elizabeth Ann Kimball
3	Becky Leah	Stanley Donald Huckins	Carol Sue Bonner
10	Kassandra	George Franklin Wyatt, Sr.	Phebe Ann Cochran
14	Clifford Franklin III	Clifford F. Downs, Sr.	Sally Ann Nelson
Aug.			
16	Jodi Lyn	Carl Louis Smith	Linda Joan Kirby
21	Richard Staubit, Jr.	Richard Staubit	Judith Ann Beaton
28	Rebecca May	Stanley Royce Ludwick	Patricia Eva Palmer
Sept.			
8	Michael Louis	Ivan Arthur Willard, Jr.	Kathy Lou Pelczar
14	Sacha Lee	Ronald Lee Boynton	Valea Ann Baker
17	Lars Donald	Paul Bishop Anderson	Linda Ebon Weiss
Oct.			
14	Kara Marie	Joseph LeRoy LaFrance	Nancy June White
16	Tammy Jeanne Weeks	Ira Merrill Weeks III	Katherine Jean Brown
16	Robert Duncan	Robert Carl Flanders	Deborah Eleanor Campbell
21	Christina	William Russell Prescott	Debra Bennie MacDonald
Nov.			
1	Laura	Craig Heald	Sheila Frances Viano
6	Brian Alfred Nelson	Alfred Edward Neidhardt	Ruth Elizabeth Palmifer
24	Jessica Lynn	Jerry Dana Waldron	Betty Mae Pike
Dec.			
23	Holly Ellen	Hayward Darwin Price	Sandra Jane Keyser
26	Aaron Edward	Allan Murray Kirkpatrick	Phyllis Courtney Emerson
26	Michael David	David Arthur Tatham	Betty Lou Pickering

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Meredith, New Hampshire

For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

Date	Name and Surname of Bride and Groom	Residence of Each At time of Marriage	Age of Each	Name and Residence of Persons by Whom Married
1973				
Jan.				
27	Walter Richard Trotter Karen Diane Hartley	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	24 20	C. H. Straw, J. P., Meredith, N. H.
Feb.				
1	Robert Frank Sargent Louise May Sirles	Franklin, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	27 34	Rev. Sumner M. Grant Franklin, N. H.
24	Guy E. Cochran II Linda J. Chase	Center Harbor, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	18 15	C. H. Straw, J. P., Meredith, N. H.
Mar.				
23	Donald Robert Paquette Marralee Anne Thompson	Belmont, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	23 20	Rev. Arthur C. Urie Laconia, N. H.
24	John William Mcscardini Marie Albertine Simpson	Meredith, N. H. Ashland, N. H.	31 35	Rev. Joseph Rheau Ashland, N. H.
Apr.				
4	Richard William Kimball, Jr. Susan Lynn White	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	20 19	Rev. Harold R. Patterson Meredith, N. H.
7	Glenn E. Swan Belinda Gaile Horne	Auburn, Mass. Meredith, N. H.	20 19	Rev. Patrick C. Finleon Meredith, N. H.
7	Robert Charles Adams Karen Elizabeth Arnold	Meredith, N. H. Laconia, N. H.	22 20	Rev. Donald Corringham Laconia, N. H.
21	James B. Anderson Marion Anna Kimball	New Hampton, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	92 62	Rev. William S. Norman Ashland, N. H.
21	Douglas P. Hurd Patricia G. Haslam	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	31 24	Rev. Joseph D. Parkman Meredith, N. H.
May				
11	Craig Heald Sheila F. Viano	Meredith, N. H. Center Harbor, N. H.	19 18	Rev. Gerard Noel Meredith, N. H.
14	Gregory Crandon Dietz Bonita Louise Howland	Center Harbor, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	22 19	Rev. Myron H. Rettberg, Jr. Meredith, N. H.
19	Tristan Ernest Blake Christie Anne Nutter	Plymouth, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	20 21	Rev. Patrick C. Finleon Meredith, N. H.
June				
2	Ronald Nelson Selig Bonnie Jean Lydiard	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	31 24	Rev. Floyd G. Kinsley Gilford, N. H.
8	Mark Steven Beaupre Wanda Marie Avery	Laconia, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	19 22	Kenneth R. Dunlap, J. P. Laconia, N. H.
9	Oren Thurlow Collins, Jr. Susan Lynn Prew	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	38 26	W. Irving Brown, J. P. Center Harbor, N. H.
9	Lawrence Joseph Greeley Rebecca Jane Taber	Gilford, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	21 17	Rev. Gerard Noel Meredith, N. H.
9	Norman Gilbert Pynn Mary Virginia Thompson	Meredith, N. H. West Hartford, Conn.	67 57	Rev. Patrick Finleon Meredith, N. H.
9	John Charles Wareing III Deborah Ann Smith	Laconia, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	23 20	Rev. G. Richard Anderson Laconia, N. H.
9	John August Vollmerding Linda Lee Baker	Laconia, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	26 25	Rev. Fred W. Anderson Norton, Mass.
9	William Russell Prescott Debra Bennie MacDonald	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	20 15	Rev. Myron H. Rettberg, Jr. Meredith, N. H.
16	Maurice Gilbert Day II Dawn Denise Spear	Bristol, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	18 17	Alice V. Flanders, J. P. Henniker, N. H.
16	Michael Maglaras Carol Joan Kestler	Boston, Mass. Meredith, N. H.	23 21	Rev. Gerard Noel Meredith, N. H.
16	Joseph Shamma Theresa C. Gutowski	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	33 28	C. H. Straw, J. P. Meredith, N. H.
23	Alan Edwin Vittum Sally Ann Hunt	Meredith, N. H. Holderness, N. H.	23 21	Rev. Guthrie Speers Center Sandwich, N. H.

23	Richard F. Wright Debra Joan Gates	Gilford, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	20	Rev. Gerard Noel Meredith, N. H.
30	Michael Hubert O'Donnell Paige Whitfield Montana	Holderness, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	20	Rev. Patrick C. Finleone Meredith, N. H.
July				
14	William L. Mead Kathleen A. Lindstrom	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	27	Rev. C. Perrin Radley Hopkinton, N. H.
14	John E. Humiston Dolores F. Pike	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	20	Rev. Myron H. Rettberg, Jr. Meredith, N. H.
26	Paul Walker Smith Lynn Louise Montana	Barrington, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	30	John T. Barrett, J. P. Durham, N. H.
Aug.				
3	Robert C. Davis Cherylee Fisher	Meredith, N. H. Center Harbor, N. H.	25	C. H. Straw, J. P. Meredith, N. H.
4	William T. O'Brien Jeanette M. Wyatt	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	31	C. H. Straw, J. P. Meredith, N. H.
4	Ronald Wayne Herbert Grace Agnes Wyatt	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	20	Rev. Myron H. Rettberg, Jr. Meredith, N. H.
11	John P. Roux Sandra J. Bodge	Meredith, N. H. Moultonboro, N. H.	19	Rev. Edwin J. Goddin Moultonboro, N. H.
16	James L. Taylor Barbara R. Baker	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	25	C. H. Straw, J. P. Meredith, N. H.
18	Paul R. Ouellette Cheryl L. Proctor	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	24	Rev. Patrick C. Finleone Meredith, N. H.
25	Leroy C. Stillings Margaret J. Macdonald	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	32	Rev. Joseph D. Parkman Meredith, N. H.
25	Gary S. Fletcher Nancy O. Bold	Laconia, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	21	Rev. George F. Jackson, Jr. Center Harbor, N. H.
31	Daniel Haddock Dorothy May Armstrong	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	23	C. H. Straw, J. P. Meredith, N. H.
Sept.				
2	Milton B. Meredith Kathleen Sauerbrunn	Washington, D. C. Washington, D. C.	36	Rev. Stanley R. Hopper DeWitt, N. Y.
8	Stephen A. Hurst Eva M. Blunden	Alton, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	23	Rev. George Chicoine Laconia, N. H.
8	Richard Paul Cote Cynthia Jean Furbush	Laconia, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	23	Rev. George Chicoine Laconia, N. H.
22	Norman L. Haddock Pamela R. Cretinon	Meredith, N. H. Center Harbor, N. H.	18	Rev. R. G. Demaree Laconia, N. H.
22	David W. Dow Patricia A. Nash	Meredith, N. H. Belmont, N. H.	24	Lou Athanas, J. P. Laconia, N. H.
29	Nelson B. Piper, Jr. Godula N. Speed	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	38	Rodney N. Dyer, J. P. Laconia, N. H.
30	Delmar Lawrence Tuft Barbara Evelyn Rideout	Wolfeboro, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	56	Rev. Lawrence Heath Wolfeboro, N. H.
Oct.				
6	Robert H. Tobyne Christine Anne Hodecker	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	28	Rev. Gerard Noel Meredith, N. H.
18	Clayton Archie Ford Rita Marie Sawyer	Meredith, N. H. Laconia, N. H.	56	Rev. J. Desmond O'Connor Laconia, N. H.
20	Robert L. White Patricia A. Bushman	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	23	Rev. Theodore E. Blaisdell Meredith, N. H.
24	Bernard J. Riegelsberger Judith C. Plancon	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	55	C. W. Straw, J. P. Meredith, N. H.
Nov.				
2	Martin C. Larson Cathryn Rita Dunleavy	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	24	Rev. George F. Jackson, Jr. Center Harbor, N. H.
3	Jeffrey N. Halsey Carole A. Craigie	Centre Harbor, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	24	Rev. David B. Howe Tuftonboro, N. H.
19	Stanley Martin Robinson Alice Elizabeth Wise	Laconia, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	78	C. H. Straw, J. P. Meredith, N. H.
24	Timothy E. Beede Lorraine F. Brodeur	Meredith, N. H. Moultonboro, N. H.	26	Rev. Gerard Noel Meredith, N. H.
24	Michael S. Brown Rayna R. Young	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	32	Rev. Patrick C. Finleone Meredith, N. H.
Dec.				
1	William D. Miller Sharon A. Kitching	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	36	Rev. Randolph K. Dales Plymouth, N. H.
22	Ernest Avery Cynthia L. Shute	Meredith, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	20	Rev. Harold R. Patterson Meredith, N. H.
24	Scott Carll Tracy Susan Gayle Cook	Laconia, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	22	Rev. Donald B. Holmes Rowayton, Conn.
26	Herbert L. Hooks Sharon L. Feltenberger	Dallas, Texas Dallas, Texas	40	C. H. Straw, J. P. Meredith, N. H.
29	Carl A. Ballou Shirley A. Bonner	New Hampton, N. H. Meredith, N. H.	18	Rev. Ethel Lee Matthews Bristol, N. H.

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Meredith, New Hampshire
For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

Date of Death	Name	Age	Place of Birth	Occupation
1973				
Jan.				
11	Elsie Ruel	65	Maine	At Home
18	Olive Louise Mayo	73	New Hampshire	At Home
20	Oliver F. Langer	80	Massachusetts	At Home
26	Hylda M. Shipman	85	Cincinnati	At Home
Feb.				
2	Dorothy S. Potter	55	Massachusetts	Secretary - Retired
8	Bernice M. Lessard	83	Vermont	Housewife
11	Lilly May Preece	86	England	Housewife
Mar.				
9	Alice M. Coleman	73	New Hampshire	Housekeeper
11	Shepherd F. Brown	89	Connecticut	Marina Owner
22	Jennifer A. Hurd	5 mos.	New Hampshire	None
30	John W. Thompson, Jr.	24	New Hampshire	Construction Worker
30	Christopher Robin Ash	23	New Hampshire	Construction Worker
Apr.				
2	Andrew J. Marks	51	New Hampshire	Attorney
8	Axel O. Linn	86	Minnesota	Draftsman
21	Mary Susan Brooks	72	New Hampshire	At Home
22	Margaret T. Uguhart	83	Massachusetts	Housewife
May				
2	Ida M. Leary	82	Massachusetts	Housewife
3	Darin Matthew McLearn	1 Hr. 20 Min.	New Hampshire	None
11	Paul Seeley Putnam	68	New Hampshire	None
12	Mary Julia Clark	65	New Hampshire	General Labor, State School
14	Mary Catherine Ryan	52	New Hampshire	None
20	Adah M. Barney	83	Vermont	Housewife
25	Virginia Tobey Matty	47	Maine	Mail Carrier - U.S. Post Office
June				
1	Mary Evelyn Willey	69	Massachusetts	Licensed Practical Nurse
3	Mary Alice Marston	63	New Hampshire	Housewife
4	Raymond W. Kimball	68	New Hampshire	Carpenter
7	Arthur James Ewens	57	New Hampshire	Supervisor-State School
18	Florence B. McAdams	83	New Hampshire	Housewife
19	Gordon E. Wheeler	67	New Hampshire	Insurance Agent-Retired
24	Frank Sheltory	65	Vermont	Restaurant Owner
July				
1	Philip T. Lowe	56	New Hampshire	B & M Railroad
7	Marian W. Lobdell	92	New York	Housewife
8	Addie B. Wilder	82	New Brunswick	Housewife
11	Sonya M. Marden	14 Days	New Hampshire	None
16	Bernard G. King	61	New Hampshire	Self Employed
18	Leroy Eldridge Dale	88	New Jersey	Civil Eng.-Railroad
Sept.				
1	Richard Allan Ash	39	New Hampshire	None
3	Grace L. Davis	63	Massachusetts	Housewife
12	Mary M. Fitzpatrick	74	Massachusetts	Housewife
17	Hila Roberts McAllister	70	Canada	Cook
18	Dorothy May Moore Harmon	78	Vermont	Teacher-Housewife
Oct.				
6	Susan Adeline Clapper	101	Massachusetts	Housewife
14	Ethel J. Piper	89	New Hampshire	Town Clerk
28	Forrest C. Lund Sr.	68	New Hampshire	Laborer
Nov.				
1	Arthur J. Keysar	91	New Hampshire	
4	James G. Hatfield	64	New Hampshire	Police Officer, Ret.

10	Ernest A. Eryou	53	New Hampshire	Laborer-Retired
18	Etta M. Brown	73	New Hampshire	None
30	Sylvia G. Johnson	45	Germany	Housewife
Dec.				
1	Albert W. Miller	64	Pennsylvania	Miller Motors-Ret.
2	Dorothy A. Merrill	72	Massachusetts	Sec.,General Office
4	Madelynde P. Smith	63	Massachusetts	Executive Housekeeper, Resort
6	Mildred A. Colby	94	Massachusetts	Housewife
10	Bernice E. Murphy	82	Vermont	Housewife
10	Edward C. Walsh	59	Massachusetts	Gas Station Manager
11	James N. Chatfield	58	New Hampshire	Ship Rigger-Navy Shipyard
14	Winifred Groesbeck	82	New Hampshire	Nurse-Retired
18	Earl Lawton Hicks	52	New Hampshire	Carpenter
14	Hazel H. Harvey	65	Massachusetts	Operator-Nursing Home
19	Sophia Edwards	99	Canada	Housewife
19	Paul J. Jackson	63	New Hampshire	Machinist
26	Bernard C. Smith	72	New Hampshire	Train Dispatcher-Retired
26	Joseph Irving Towle	73	New Hampshire	Finish Carpenter
27	Robert D. Holland	70	Massachusetts	Electrician

Notes

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Notes



The center of town in the early 1900's. Sanborn's Drug Store was on the corner of Water Street with the Crockett House on the site of the present Municipal Building.

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Emergency Calls

TO REPORT FIRES

524-1545

Other Emergency Numbers

DOCTORS	HOSPITALS	AMBULANCES
	Inter-Lakes Medical Center (Dr. Thomas Nadeau) (Dr. Jay Vazifdar)	279-4587
	Meredith Medical Clinic (Dr. Charles J. Cataldo)	279-6637
	Lakes Region General Hospital	524-3211
	Kemp-Symonds Ambulance	279-4431

POISON INFORMATION CENTER

Hanover	643-4000
Boston	617-232-2120

POLICE — FIRE OFFICIALS

Meredith Police Department (Nights and Weekends)	279-4530 524-3830
State Police (Moultonboro)	476-5582
State Police (Concord)	271-3636
Forest Fire Warden (Burning Permits)	279-6148
Civil Defense Director	279-6031
HELP	253-4330

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